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Councillors will meet to discuss harbour funding back-up plan

By Trevor Bevins

WITH doubts over whether or not a new ferry service will start from Weymouth Harbour in spring, councillors are to hold a "brainstorming" session to look at other forms of income.

Borough council management committee chair, Councillor Ian Bruce, says there has to be a back-up plan incase the ferry route to France does not start in April.

So far there has been no confirmation of a firm start date.

Councillor Bruce says that, with this in mind, councillors will get together to come up with ideas on how best to maximise income from the harbour.

The aim will to make the harbour at least self-sufficient.

Currently it is "borrowing" money from the council's coffers to pay for harbour wall repairs, estimated to cost £1.9million.

The news comes as work is about to start on the Pleasure Pier which will see the structure closed to the public for six weeks.

Work is due to start on February 1st with engineers carrying out what the council describes as "planned maintenance works".

The work involves concrete repairs to the sub structure to improve the current condition of the pier.

Said Councillor Bruce: "Councillors are ensuring that keeping the pier and harbour in good repair is a key priority. These works form part of a necessary safety upgrade for the pier to ensure pub-

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KIMBERLEY Motte is 29-years-old and has lived in Weymouth all her life with her family.

She attended the local schools, starting at St Andrew's Primary School and on to Wey Valley School and one year at Thomas Hardy School.

She met her husband 11 years ago while working at the Smugglers Inn and they have been married for five years with a three-year-old daughter.

Kimberley runs her own nail business from her home called Perfect 10 Nails.

● WHAT inspired you to start up your business?

I never really knew what I wanted to do with my life but I've always been into arts and nails and after the birth of my daughter, I wanted a career that would fit around me staying at home with her. I didn't want to go back into full-time work and end up using my wages just to pay for her to be in childcare as I felt, for me, it was important to be at home and experience the first few years of her life before she goes off to school. It's been hard but I don't regret it for one second and I have some fantastic memories that I would've missed if I went back to work.

I decided to make my passion into my business so started trading two years ago. I trained in manicure and pedicure and then went on to train in Gelish soak off gel polish with Nail Harmony and then furthered my training in design. I've also attended a one stroke nail art course and I'm going on a course this month to learn the art of sugaring, foil decoration and to further my training in one stroke art.

I work part time from my home in the evenings around my daughters schedule but hope to expand my opening hours now that she is older and attending preschool. I also plan on training in another few different beauty treatments to be able to offer a more complete package.

● WHY did you chose nail art?

My niche in my business is always offering hand-painted art on my nails and all of my clients enjoy this. So many nail technicians in salons in the area focus on getting people in and out the door and their profit, where as I take my time with each client, having a good gossip and conversation over a cup of tea whilst producing bespoke nails.

I spend a lot of my spare time looking at different examples of nails, practising different forms of art and tirelessly searching the Internet for inspiration. My work has been published in the UK's number one nail related magazine *Scratch*, which I have a copy of and my work is regularly featured on their online gallery. I have also been tagged as inspiration by fellow nail technicians who have seen my work and used it as inspiration for that own.

● WHAT do you enjoy most about your job?

My philosophy with nails is that I believe it is something everybody should be able to afford and not just a luxury for the rich. So many women focus on their career, running their homes and being mums to truly love and appreciate themselves and the best part of my job is watching somebody leaving with a smile on their face because they feel more glamorous for a manicure and a freshly painted set of designed nails.

For me there is no greater joy than watching my clients feel this way and I've managed to convert family and friends into having their nails done as well. To be able to do something I love is a job and even better to be paid for it is the best!

● WHAT do you like to do in your spare time?

In my spare time I am an animal lover and I am the proud owner of four chickens, two rabbits, one cat and one dog. I also run my own nail group on Facebook which is a safe haven for qualified professionals to all be able to get together and discuss industry secrets.

I have also created a few tutorial videos on how to do some basic nail art types and hope to further this and become more of an online blogger this year.

To find out more about Kimberley's nail business visit her Faceboob page online at www.facebook.com/Perfecttennails

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Police release CCTV image of potential witnesses to assault

DETECTIVES investigating a serious assault in Weymouth are appealing for witnesses to come forward – with a CCTV image of people they would like to speak to being released.

The incident, in which one man sustained a serious injury, happened just before midnight on Friday 18 December 2015 on New Street in the town.

It was reported that an altercation, involving around four men, occurred just inside the doorway of Goldfingers Night Club.

The victim, a 20-year-old man from Leamington Spa, sustained two breaks to his ankle as a result of the incident and was taken to hospital for immediate surgery.

Detective Constable Sarah Desmond, of Western CID, said: "Following my investigation, I am now in a position to release a CCTV image of people who I believe may have witnessed the incident and I ask that they contact me on 101.

"I would like to make it clear that I am appealing to these people for information and have no reason to believe they were involved.

"I am also appealing to anyone else who may have witnessed the incident or has any information about who was responsible to please come forward.

"All calls will be treated in strict confidence."

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset Police in confidence on 101 quoting incident number 20:163.

Alternatively, call the free and anonymous Crimestoppers line on 0800 555 111 where mobile phone tariffs may apply.

POLICE have released CCTV image of people who they think may have witnessed assault

POLICE in Weymouth are appealing for witnesses and anyone with information to come forward after reports of a burglary in the town– with two men being arrested.

The alleged offenders broke into Wyke Stores in Wyke Square at around 4am on Tuesday, January 5th.

The front door was smashed open and it was reported that a number of items were stolen from the shop.

Detective Constable Sarah Desmond, of Weymouth CID, said: "I would like to speak to anyone who may have witnessed anything suspicious in the area around the relevant times.

"Anyone with information should contact me by calling 101."

A 30-year-old man, of no fixed abode, and a 17-year-old Weymouth boy were arrested on suspicion of burglary and released on police bail until the beginning of April 2016.

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset Police in confidence on 101 quoting incident number 5:28. Alternatively, call the free and anonymous Crimestoppers line on 0800 555 111 where mobile phone tariffs may apply.

Drug dealers targeting vulnerable people

POLICE and Crime Commissioner for Dorset, Martyn Underhill, met with vulnerable individuals who have had their homes taken over by drug dealers during a visit to Weymouth.

Mr Underhill heard that drug gangs, often from London or Liverpool, have been trying to move into the area, targeting people who are vulnerable for reasons such as drug habits or due to their mental health, educational needs or disability.

Mr Underhill said: "These dealers easily identify those they can prey on. We met with a man who was himself a drug user and his need for a fix was used as a means of taking over both his home and his life. Within days of the dealers meeting him, he was pressured into delivering drugs for them out of fear of what they would do to him if did not comply. Now the police are aware of his situation regular checks are being made on him and other vulnerable adults in the Weymouth area."

During the day, Mr Underhill also walked through the town centre with members of the Neighbourhood Policing team to see first-hand the problem of street drinkers and beggars in the area.

He also spent some time with members of staff from his office who were running a consultation on the policing element of the council tax in Morrison's supermarket. The purpose of this was is to see whether residents of Dorset would support an increase.

Details of this consultation can be found at www.dorsetpolice precept.com.

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Cash stolen from parked taxi on Portland

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The incident happened between 10pm on Monday, January 11th and 8am on Tuesday 12th in Verne Common Road.

Offenders used a house brick to smash the driver's side window of a black Vauxhall Zafira. A wallet and a coin dispenser containing a quantity of cash were stolen.

The wallet was later found discarded outside the Britannia in Fortuneswell with the money missing.

Police Constable Katherine Rupp, of Weymouth police, said: "I am appealing to anyone who saw or heard anything suspicious in the Verne Common Road area between the relevant times.

"I would urge anyone who knows who was responsible for this incident to please call me on 101.

"I would also like to remind motorists to ensure they remove all valuables from their vehicles when they are left unattended – if you don't you are making yourself a target.

"Thieves often need only 10 to 20 seconds to commit a crime – our advice is simple remove it, lock it."

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset Police in confidence on 101 quoting incident number 12:54. Alternatively, call the free and anonymous Crimestoppers line on 0800 555 111 where mobile phone tariffs may apply.

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Harbour income comes under scrutiny

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public welfare comes first. The pier is over 80-years-old and needs thorough maintenance to allow continued enjoyment of the area. These repairs are part of the Peninsular improvements."

Works will not affect the car park, or visitors to the Jurassic Skyline.

Councillor Bruce has said that he would like to see more than one ferry operator using Weymouth Harbour, rather than the one sailing each day which has been talked about.

He says that when councillors meet with officers later this month they will look at other ways of generating income for the harbour should a ferry route not resume.

There was criticism from councillors before Christmas that the harbour has become a drain on the borough council's resources, rather than an income generator, which it used to be. Some complained at the time that the harbour board was lacking a comprehensive strategic plan and had been slow to react to the loss of the Condor route to the Channel Islands, which now runs from Poole.

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Management takeover at *View From* series

NEWSPAPER proprietor Sir Ray Tindle has sealed a ground-breaking deal which passes ownership of some of his leading titles to the people who run them.

The *View From* series in Dorset, *Pulman's View* in Devon and Somerset, along with the capital's *South London Press*, *Mercury*, and the *London Weekly News* titles, including the *Westminster, Fulham* and *Hammersmith Chronicles, Kensington & Chelsea News* and the *Westminster & Pimlico News* series, now pass into the hands of executives Philip Evans, Karen Sheppard and Hannah Walker.

However, Sir Ray insists the deal does not signal his retirement. He is now celebrating his 90th year and has no intention to stand back from front-line management.

He says the sale is to ensure the long life of the papers which include some of the oldest in the country.

The deal still leaves him with the ownership of approaching 200 titles across the country (plus percentages from eight per cent to 49 per cent in more than another 200 papers making his interest in the local press still total more than 400 titles). He intends to remain hands-on.

In this unique deal Sir Ray also remains a 10 per cent shareholder in the newspapers with Karen, Philip and Hannah holding equal shares of 30 per cent each.

The new group owned byPhilip, Karen and Hannah is called Capital Media Newspapers Limited and will continue to operate from London and Lyme Regis.

The *South London Press* celebrated its 150th anniversary in 2015 and Sir Ray threw a party on board HMS *Belfast* in London attended by HRH the Countess of Wessex, Secretary of State For Culture Media & Sport, John Whittingdale, and the entire staff of the paper.

At the event Sir Ray emphasised the key role local newspapers play up and down the country and how they are fundamental to democracy. Sir Ray Tindle, who bought his first paper after receiving demobilisation money as did all those who were in the Army during the Second World War, has a career history of making failing newspapers viable.

With a staff he describes as one of the very best in the UK press, Tindle Newspapers has launched, or bought up, 47 titles since the start of this recession.

On this latest announcement Sir Ray said it made complete sense to sell the London and Dorset titles to the people who currently run them. He wished Philip Karen and Hannah and the whole staff all the very best for the future.

He said the staffs of these papers were superb.

Philip, who originally launched the *View From* series, said: "Having managed local newspapers in London earlier in my career, I am looking forward to the challenge of working alongside Karen and Hannah in continuing to build our stable of titles in the capital as well as retaining my Dorset links with *Pulman's Weekly News* and the *View From* series, which I launched in 2005.

"All three of us share Sir Ray's undeviating faith in the future of local newspapers and we are excited by the opportunity he has given us and the talented staff we will lead."

Philip is also joint managing director of the London Weekly News Group, which is edited in Lyme Regis.

Karen, who has been managing director of the *South London Press* for 18 months and who successfully managed Sir Ray's business in Farnham previously, said: "This is an extraordinary opportunity, one which I embrace whole heartedly.

"I look forward to continuing the successful programme of change and improvements the team have been working on for the past 12 months, building on the launch of new titles in central London and enhancing the reputation of the *South London Press* as one of the capital's iconic local newspapers with 150 years of history behind it."

Hannah, who has edited the *South London Press* for the last 16 years and who began her career as a reporter nearly 30 years ago in Birmingham, said:

"It's always been a huge privilege editing these papers in South London and now to have the chance to steer them further to a healthy future is a huge challenge and opens up yet another new era for these fantastic titles and the brilliant staff that work for them."

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County approves to cut funding for youth centres

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DORSET County Council has approved plans which could see some Dorset youth clubs closed unless they are taken over by community groups.

The move could mean job losses for many youth workers.

County councillors say cuts to their grants, imposed on them by the Government, are to blame.

The decision, taken after a protest on the steps of County Hall in Dorchester, sees the budget for the centres cut by half.

During the debate by councillors one young man told the committee: "I could tell you, very passionately, about how youth clubs, and youth workers, have literally saved my life and lots of other young people too, including some of my friends with mental health problems."

The county council currently runs 22 youth centres across the county at a cost of £2.2million per year. The council's decision will almost half that figure – resulting in no longer staffing the centres, but instead focusing on the most vulnerable young people with youth workers liaising with schools and social workers.

"Rather than cut the service what we are trying to do is transform it and move it to something where we can get in earlier and begin to help more young people. Only ten per cent of our young people attend a youth centre so by putting our youth workers out there in the community we hope to be able to reach far more young people and be able to help them more," said Cabinet spokesman for the service, Councillor Toni Coombs.

£200,000 will now be shared between community groups prepared to take on the youth centres.

Those who want to do so will have to present their case to the council by the end of March. Buildings which are not taken on, either leased our bought, could be sold.

Weymouth councillor Mike Byatt said that the deadline did not give enough time for people to come forward with business cases.

"If we're going to make decisions affecting young people, we need to make the right one."

Bridport councillor Ros Kayes said the decision was cutting through the budget for young people with a scythe.

"It's really ill-thought through. There are all sort of facilities like counselling and supported work which will be got rid of."

The plans are expected to be implemented by September.

Councillor Coombs has vowed to work with every community which might like to run a centre.

The decision has brought criticism from Labour and Liberal Democrat opposition councillors as well as community groups.

Vicar Lorraine Dobbins, who works with Top Club at Littlemoor, said she feared an increase in anti-social behaviour if the club closed.

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Public First to launch campaign

■ PUBLIC First's suggestion to West Dorset Council's Leader to cancel running a governance referendum by voluntarily changing from the 'Cabinet' system to a 'Committee' system – saving £95,000 referendum costs – has been refused, despite the public's overwhelming call for change in the petition. 6,115 electors signed, wanting change, with only 38 apparently wanting to keep the 'Cabinet' system.

Sadly, the example of Canterbury City council's voluntary change, avoiding referendum costs, found no favour at West Dorset District Council.

If electors vote on May 5th for change, the council will have needlessly spent £95,000, when ALL the signs point to a 'change' result at the polls. For comparison purposes, this sum is the equivalent of 95 West Dorset charities/causes each getting a cheque for £1,000.

The public didn't just 'seek a referendum'. Rather, the petition form stated the public 'seek a referendum on whether the council should be run in a different way by one or more committees made up of elected councillors'. The public wants system change. People of all parties – Conservatives, Labour, Lib-Dem, UKIP, Green, other parties, Independents, and supporters of none – will (we're sure from field-work) vote for a more open, transparent, democratic system, the 'Committee' system.

Public First's campaign launches in Bridport at 7pm at the Electric Palace, February 11th, continuing in Dorchester on February 24th, and Lyme, Beaminster and Sherborne will follow. Members of the public will be invited to speak of their experiences of the current system and whether the 'Committee' system should replace it. More details on www.publicfirstgroup.co.uk

John Grantham
Public First Group

■ **EDITORS NOTE:** WEST Dorset District Council has responded to press coverage which may give the impression that it is actively seeking a referendum into the way it is run and wishes to pay for it.

A statement from Councillor Anthony Alford, Leader of West Dorset District Council, said: "The costs are regrettable, but we have received a petition signed by over 6,000 people and under the law this has triggered a referendum which requires us to give the rest of the 80,000 electorate the democratic right to decide if they want the council to have different committee structures.

"The petition has been signed by 7.5 per cent of the electorate and asks us to hold a referendum on whether to change, not that we should do it. This cannot be regarded as a democratic mandate for change. Only a referendum where the remaining 92.5 per cent of residents also have a chance to vote could provide this.

"To proceed in any other way would be undemocratic. We are doing all we can to limit costs and will save about £50,000 by holding the vote at the same time as the Police and Crime Commissioner elections."

The views expressed in letters are those of the author and not necessarily of this newspaper

Conservative cuts dominate headlines

■ ANYONE reading last week's paper would have been struck by one dominant theme – Conservative cuts to local services: cuts to the youth service budget, resulting in the threatened closure of all youth centres in Dorset; cuts to the funding of rural bus services meaning that even more villages will be without decent public transport; cuts to the funding of Bridport Leisure Centre's swimming pool that could result in the pool's closure. These are just the headlines. Many other services face severe funding cuts and possible closure.

What are we going to do about this situation? Are we just going to accept the Government's rhetoric that these cuts are necessary for a thriving economy? Do we really want the type of local community that such an economy will produce? Communities devoid of all but the most basic of services? Communities in which the fortunate few can afford the private purchase of all that they need while the remainder have to scavenge for what is left?

Which Oliver Letwin is it who describes the Leisure Centre as "a treasured facility" and says that he will work with all parties to put together a package that will keep it open? Could it be the same one who is a driving force behind the Conservative ideology that wants to 'marketise' the whole of society and beyond – or has he also changed his mind about this since the publication of Privatizing the World nearly 30 years ago? The end result of such an ideology is that the value of everything is determined by the market; a market in which, of necessity, there will be winners and losers – and no matter how hard we dream we cannot all be winners.

Kelvin Clayton
Chair West & South Dorset Green Party

Rural buses are vital link for communities

■ THE 253 runs from Beaminster to Weymouth. This bus picks up students and takes them to Beaminster School, it leaves there after 8.30am and starts picking up passengers from Monmouth Gardens and onto Beaminster Square then down to Bridport, taking people to work!

It then goes to West Bay and along the coast road to Weymouth, picking up at lots of villages along the way. It then goes to Southill where it picks up people who, I understand will after this coming April, lose their only other bus.

The 253 goes through Westham, picking up people as old as 97 and continues along past Asda and to the seafront and town shops.

The 253 runs Monday to Friday all year round. This service is a vital link for everyone along its route.

The 213 is also a much needed and much used route. The only bus that takes the people of Beaminster and other villages directly to Dorchester, Dorset County Hospital and dentists.

How our conservative council can put our 'mayoral parlour' before our bus services I don't know. I refer to the ***View From Weymouth*** January 6th page three.

Our council are spending a whopping £750,000 on refurbishing two offices, Crookhil for 50 staff and Mulberry Centre for the mayor, while they plan to take away bus services from hundreds of people.

We do not want community based schemes. We want our buses. We want to see our 'bus buddies'. Some people would not see or speak to other people if they were not out on the buses. This is not good for others health and wellbeing.

Funny how our council can find the money to do things they want to do! This is disgusting, the council's park and ride bus has been running up and down empty!

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Service and events to mark Holocaust Memorial Day

A MEMORIAL service as part of Holocaust Memorial Day will take place in the Princess Diana Gardens, Radipole Park Drive, Weymouth next Wednesday, January 27th.

The service will begin at 10.30am, hosted by Mayor of Weymouth and Portland, Councillor Christine James with prayers and a reading being led by the Mayor's Chaplin, Father Richard of St Pauls Church, Westham and joined by religious faith representatives from the local community.

The event is open to the public with local councillors and Friends of the Parks expected to also be there.

Holocaust Memorial Day is the annual day of remembrance for the victims and survivors of the Holocaust and subsequent genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia, Darfur and Tibet. It marks the day in 1945 when the Auschwitz–Birkenau extermination camp was liberated.

The theme for Holocaust Memorial Day this year is "Don't Stand By".

Councillor Christine James, Mayor Weymouth and Portland and the borough council's social inclusion briefholder, said: "This local service is a chance for people to come along and join members of the community in paying their respects to the victims of the Holocaust and other genocides."

In addition to the event in the park a Holocaust Memorial Day display will be on show at Weymouth Library from Monday, January 25th until the end of the month. The display has been set up by Barbara Cohen of the South West Dorset Multicultural Network and friends.

The South West Dorset Multicultural Network have also organised a free event on Friday, January 29th at the Corn Exchange, Dorchester from 12.30pm to 1.30pm. There will be a range of speakers including Harry Grenville, a local resident who escaped Nazi persecution by coming to the UK as part of the Kindertransport initiative and Dame Harriet Walter who will be giving a reading.

Doors open at noon and everyone is invited to join the Network for light refreshments and to look at the displays.

Councillor Alan Thacker, West Dorset District Council's Portfolio Holder for Community Safety & Access, said: "This event gives people the opportunity to learn about this terrible time from a more personal point of view. I am pleased that the council can facilitate learning about significant events such as this."

Colour Run to return bigger and better

WELDMAR'S Colour Run this year will be spread over two days following the success of the 2015 event which attracted more than 1,000 people and raised over £60,000.

The initial event, at Lodmoor Country Park, was the first of its kind in Dorset.

This year the event will take place over the weekend of April 16th and 17th April - alowing even more people can take part.

The 4km route, which starts and finishes in the country park, sees participants running through various colour stations where their sparkling clean white t-shirt, supplied by Weldmar, is covered in brightly coloured powder paint.

Matt Smith, Colour Run Event Manager, said: "We were amazed by the response we had in 2015. It was a brand new event for Dorset, and we didn't know how the public would react. However we were stunned with the fantastic feedback we received and the demand to make the event bigger and better for 2016."

The Colour Run is open to all ages with no minimum or maximum age limit.

Registration for adults over 16 years is £18, children aged five-15 pay just £11 and under fives run for free. All participants over five-years of age are supplied with a white t-shirt.

The day starts with a fun warm up session before runners are let loose on the route mbefore making their way back to the start area for an afternoon of live entertainment.

To register visit www.weld-hospice.org.uk/colour.

Society committee re-elected

WEYMOUTH and Portland Holzwickede Twinning Society has held its annual meeting. Pictured here is the society's committee for 2016 who were all re-elected from the previous year.

Chairman Fred Flack is seated on the right with Deputy Mayor, Councillor Richard Kosior and Portland Town Mayor, Councillor Rod Wild.

Chamber breakfast hears top business tips

THE first Weymouth and Portland Chamber of Commerce business breakfast of the new year heard about techniques to raise the profile of local businesses.

Julie Cleaver of Popcorn Marketing led the meeting entitled: "Get your business Seen in 2016" together with other media experts from the chamber.

The meeting identified that sometimes business owners are too busy focusing on the day to day running of their business and may forget to focus on where the business is going and what it wants to achieve in the coming year. One of the first things that businesses can do is to ask itself five simple questions to reveal the start of a business plan.

Julie said: "Once you have your business plan, then you need to share it with your employees, customers, suppliers and in some cases your financial advisors. Just don't keep your business offer to yourself – you put in the hard work and now you need to share your ambitions and plans with your business community and customers."

The meeting then heard from a panel of chamber experts who made special offers to the business community to help them get seen in 2016.

The next WPCC breakfast meeting of the Weymouth & Portland Chamber of Commerce will be held on Tuesday, February 2nd at the Rendezvous, Weymouth at the new time of 7.30am.

Bookings are now being taken at www.wpchamber.co.uk.

The key note speaker at the February breakfast will be Martin Hamilton, Strategic Director for the Dorset Councils Partnership who will talk about the impact of the potential council partnerships and how it may affect the borough, an update on the council's plan for this year and also how local businesses can access the procurement of contracts.

The breakfast meeting will also hear from Nigel Reed, Manager of the Weymouth BID Ltd who will look back at their work in 2015 and forward to 2016.

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B! Health & Fitness Celebrating

B!HEALTH AND FITNESS Celebrate Their First Anniversary

Founded by local businessman and qualified personal trainer Craig Bernhardt from Devon, B!Health and Fitness, Lyme Regis's premier gym and fitness club celebrated its first anniversary yesterday.

Since opening, the welcoming organisation with highly qualified and experienced staff has become a big hit with residents from Dorset, Devon and beyond.

During their first year, the club has offered an expanding range of services with the focus being on total body workouts. Personal training has proved to be very popular. Alongside this, they also offer body metric testing to help people understand more about their body composition, rather than just weight alone.

"I feel that many gyms and health clubs can be intimidating, faceless places but the benefits of regular exercise can be life changing. This first year has been an amazing journey and we have been so pleased to see so many members achieving their personal fitness goals", said Craig.

The club is furnished with a comprehensive range of equipment from free weights to functional training accessories and a Cross Fit styled RIG. There is a separate cardio suite and class studio on the first floor.

One of the team, Duncan Bryant, has been with B! Health & Fitness since its launch and commented: "Having worked in the industry for several years, this club is like no other I've worked in. The club is totally focused on its members becoming fit, healthy and confident. In turn this makes coming to work a pleasure and I'm proud of what we have achieved so far".

When opening the club Craig's focus was to create an environment in which anyone could enjoy training without feeling intimidated.

"We have been able to offer support and guidance to members of varied abilities and sporting backgrounds. I have a great team here at B! With ages ranging from 19 to 48 we understand age-related limitations and we are all active on the gym floor to help and support members. We have no time for image or vanity, just keeping fit and healthy".

Also a qualified nutritional advisor, Craig added: "You are what you eat! Your eating plan plays a huge part and goes hand in hand with a good exercise programme. I'm not a fan of diets as they are too short term and not necessarily healthy. Nine times out of ten when your diet ends the weight jumps straight back on".

The health benefits of regular exercise are well known. If you're considering joining a gym as part of your New Year resolutions do your homework, especially as you're likely to be starting a contract that will last for at least six months. Also, don't let previous experiences or preconceptions stop you from finding the right facility.

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"If you still feel you won't be comfortable with a gym environment, why not consider personal training at home? Or talk to us about group classes – for instance in your local village hall, school or clubhouse", added Craig.

It's also important to find out that should an injury occur, you will be in the safe hands of a fully qualified sports and musculoskeletal physiotherapist. Like Sara Pearce from the NHS who lives in Lyme Regis and is based at the club. Sara is able to offer a variety of remedial and preventative treatments, helping members to stay in tip-top condition.

Craig continued: "During our first year, what gave me a buzz was members achieving their fitness goals, whether this was running 10K, a marathon, triathlon, losing a specific amount of body fat or adding lean muscle.

"Just seeing people look and feel so much better for exercising and regaining their confidence has given me and my team a huge sense of satisfaction."

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The View From Newspaper would like to wish Craig and his team all the best for the future

Cyril honoured with surprise birthday party

A SURPRISE party marked the 92nd birthday of a former Weymouth soldier at the town's Riviera Hotel.

Two serving Welsh Guards, family and friends, and veterans from the area greeted Cyril Gill, who fought at the Battle of the Bulge.

Mr Gill enlisted with the Welsh Guards, coming to Weymouth in 1943 to prepare for the D-Day landings.

He and his wife Ruby, married in October of that year, just two days before he was sent to France,.

Returning to the town in 1947 he settled down in Weymouth and over recent years has become an active member of the Dorset Veterans' Breakfast Club.

His surprise party was supported by the SSAFA, the armed forces charity, and funded by The Rotary Club.

CYRIL Gill celebrating his 92nd birthday with WO2 RQMS Steve Boika and Lance Sergeant Stuart Laing of the Welsh Guard, Mayor of Weymouth Christine James, and SSAFA Weymouth & Portland Divisional Secretary Derek Hope

Derek Hope, SSAFA's Weymouth & Portland Divisional Secretary, said: "We all wanted to remind him [Cyril] that his war service is still recognised and will always be greatly valued.

"On arrival, Cyril was a little baffled by all the fuss as he thought he was joining his fellow Dorset Veterans Breakfast Club members for a small dinner. The presence of the two guardsmen in full ceremonial dress made his eyes pop out. He said it was fantastic, awesome and came as a complete surprise. Later he said that he was proud at the way everyone had pulled together to make his birthday special and that it must have been the best kept secret ever."

The Welsh Guards presented Mr Gill with a tankard for his birthday as well as copy of a book on the Welsh Guards and a miniature framed Regimental Colour of the Welsh Guards.

He also received gifts from the Dorset Veterans' Breakfast Club (DVBC) and a book on the village of Jodoigne in Belgium that was liberated by Cyril's unit with a covering letter from the Mayor expressing the community's gratitude for this service and wishing him a happy birthday.

Mr Gill said he was delighted by the surprise, which also included the Weymouth and Portland Mayor, Councillor Christine James among the guests.

A member of the Royal British Legion attended to give a presentation on the history of the Battle of the Bulge in which Cyril served.

ABOVE: CYRIL Gill being welcomed by WO2 RQMS Steve Boika, and Lance Sergeant Stuart Laing, of the Welsh Guards; Right: CYRIL Gill during his WWII service

Cyril Gill was posted to Weymouth, in 1943 to prepare tanks for the D-Day landings where he met his wife-to-be, Ruby.

He returned to Yorkshire for a few weeks but was then posted to Bovington, Dorset for further training to become spare crew to replace D-Day victims. He married Ruby on October 7th 1943 and two days later was sent to France with his Battalion, not to return until February 1945.

In April 1945, he was caught in a tank fire and almost burned to death. He was flown to No 8 British General Hospital, Ostend, where he was treated for severe burns. He was in hospital when VE Day was announced.

In May 1945, Cyril was stationed in Dellbruch near Cologne with the task of looking after displaced persons and after a few months was posted to Lubeck. From there, he moved to Luxembourg to train with their army.

Cyril also took part in the parades celebrating the liberation of Brussels and the liberation of Paris.

On return to the UK in 1947, Cyril was sent to Aldershot for demobilisation.

Following demobilisation, Cyril returned to Weymouth to be reunited with his wife, Ruby. He found work as a building scaffolder. He worked in the building trade until 1967 when a back injury forced him to leave.

After leaving hospital, Cyril then took up a post with the MOD Police at Portland Dockyard. He continued with this work until 1984 when he was forced to retire at age 60.

After retiring from the MOD Police, Cyril wanted to keep busy and stay active so he took up part-time employment as a gardener and also small building jobs. He finally decided to retire at age 77.

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Dorchester dairy farmer wins calender photo competition

KINGSTON Maurward Dairy Manager Nigel Allen has won a photographic competition – after hearing about it on radio while milking.

The competition, staged by I J Brown Opticians, based in Bridport, Dorchester, Swanage and Weymouth, was held in conjunction with WessexFM.

The theme was 'Eventful Dorset' with the 12 winning photographs chosen by the team at I J Brown Opticians and used in their 2016 calendar.

Each of the winning photographers received five calendars with Mr Allen also receiving a GoPro Camera with accessory kit for his winning picture of 'Rushy Pon'd.

Said Mr Allen: "I heard about the competition on the radio when I was milking the cows and thought I'd have a go. I'm very pleased I did. I was so chuffed to hear that I was in the top 12 and never expected to win. It was a fantastic surprise to hear that I had been chosen as the overall winner. I shall look forward to using my camera around Kingston Maurward."

The winning dozen are: Cows eating - Georgia Pagett; Bowleaze Pier – Tom Watson; Lambs – Tim Russ; Dorset Warbler – Tim Downton; Milky Way over Corfe – Ollie Parkinson; Swans – Adam Sherring; Summer Hideout – Noel Witton; Red Arrows – Julie McCabe; Tenacious in Weymouth Harbour – Paul Brewer; Sunset up the Fleet – Peter Straddon; Morning Mist, Wooten Fitzpaine – Lewis Aburrow; and Rushy Pond – Nigel Allen

COMPETITION winner Nigel Allen receiving his prize in I J Brown Opticians Dorchester from Paul Wallis Optometrist and Partner of I J Brown Opticians and Carl Ashwin of Wessex FM

Apply now for car boot grant

DORCHESTER and Bridport organisations are to benefit from the 2016 car boot funds.

Community organisations will be able to apply for grants generated by the profits from council-run car boot sales in both towns.

More than 60 organisations benefitted from the grants in 2015 – the average award being around £500, although some were as high as £3,000.

Applications for the 2016 awards are open now with requests having to be submitted by March.

The weekly car boots are held every Sunday at Dorchester Market and in West Bay to raise money for local charities and community groups.

A range of different projects can be considered, provided they are making a difference to their local community.

Good causes supported in 2015 included Chesil Sailability who provide affordable sailing lessons for people with disabilities; Cruse Bereavement Care to provide additional advice and information to the bereaved people they support; Future Roots to help set up a Forest School for vulnerable and disabled children; the Opera Circus in Bridport to help develop their community allotment project and the Bridport Bandits to help them build a new buggy for young people to use in motor races.

The 2016 grants were launched on Monday, January 11th with the closing date for both towns on Thursday, March 31st.

Decisions will be made in May and groups will be notified in June and successful applicants will be invited to a celebration event in September to share news about their projects.

An application form and additional guidance can be found on the Dorset For You website at www.dorsetforyou.com/dorchestergrants.

Alternatively groups can contact Emma Scott who will email or post them an application form. Emma's email address is escott@dorset.gov.uk and her telephone number is 01305 252204.

Said Emma: "We are looking forward to hearing from a wide range of projects as usual which reflect how much fantastic voluntary work is going on in our local communities."

Julia's House £1,250 better off

BREWERY Square in Dorchester has raised £1,250 for Julia's House.

The money was raised from a series of family-friendly events during the year, including weekly seasonal events during the Christmas period.

Hannah Robinson, community fundraiser for Julia's House, said: "A huge thank you to the team at Brewery Square for all of their support for Julia's House in 2015.

"Our Dorchester Friends group had a great afternoon supporting the Ice Queen event.

"Julia's House cares for children across Dorset and Wiltshire with Life-Limiting and Life Threatening illnesses and the vital services which we provide for the children and their families are funded almost entirely through the generosity of the local community. We simply could not provide these services without the support of companies like Brewery Square – so thank you."

Charlotte Spracklen, centre manager for Brewery Square, said: "Our meet the Ice Queen event was an extremely popular day. Even with the challenging high winds and wet weather, we managed to raise an incredible £302.87 for Julia's House, which is amazing.

"We hope to continue supporting Julia's House with other events which we have lined-up over the next few months."

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NEWS in brief ...

THE Bishop of Salisbury will be visiting Dorchester in February for a meeting organised by Churches Together in Dorchester.

It will take place at the Dorford Baptist Church on February 11th at 7.30pm.

The Bishop, as well as leading the diocese, is now the Church of England's spokesman on the environment.

The Bishop, the Right Reverend Nicholas Holtam will speak on: 'The Church and the Environment'.

"We hope everyone who is concerned about the global environment and climate issues will come to hear him and ask questions," said Margaret Barker, treasurer of Churches Together in Dorchester.

BIRDWATCHING in Spain is the subject of the next RSPB local group meeting in Dorchester.

The meeting takes place at St George's church hall, Fordington at 7.45pm on Thursday, January 21st. The speaker will be Neil Gartshore.

Admission is £3 for members, £3.50 for non-members, including coffee and biscuits.

A BURNS Night Supper complete with Piper, haggis, address, three-course meal and Scottish Country Dancing is being held at the Brownsword Hall. Dorchester this Saturday, January 30th at 7.30pm.

Tickets will cost £20 per person via www.brownswordevents.org.uk or by calling Sue for further information and details on 01305 751815.

LUNCHES and teas will be on offer in the village hall at Compton Valence for visitors arriving to view the display of snowdrops.

The hall, which is just below the church, will be open from 10.30am until 3.30pm daily from Monday, February 1st until Friday, February 12th, weather permitting.

Pre-booked guests will get priority for the limited number of seats. This can be done by calling Pippa James on Dorchester (01305) 889338 or Tessa Ruddell on Bridport (01308) 482227.

Creative workshops

A SERIES of creative workshops for artists are being held at the Radipole Lake Nature Reserve in Weymouth.

The days, which will run from 11am until 2pm, will use the reserve as an inspiration to create pictures of the landscape and the wildlife which inhabits the area.

Local artist Julie Herring will lead the workshops and the RSPB, which is organising them, says that those who take part do not need to have an artistic background of be a wildlife expert.

The first workshop takes place on Thursday, January 31st. Further details and bookings are being taken on 07720 353454.

TIC cafe entertainment

WEYMOUTH Tourist Information Centre will be holding a week of live evening events in their new cafe.

The live evenings of entertainment will begin on January 30th until February 5th in the new TIC Art Book Cafe, which is above the Tourist Information Centre on St Thomas Street.

The evenings which include live music, art sales with wine and cheese, and poetry readings.

The bar will be open from 6pm selling beer and wine, with coffees and teas, pizzas, cakes and soup will also available.

Entry to events is £3 per person to include a free drink with proceeds going to help run the Weymouth TIC.

Tickets and further information on whats on each night is available from the Weymouth Tourist Information Centre on (01305) 561983.

Catch up with news from across West Dorset online at www.weymouth-today.co.uk & www.dorchester-today.co.uk

Cash boost for lifeboat

HAVEN'S holiday park, in Weymouth Bay, has raised a total of £1,115 for Weymouth lifeboat station. The money came from a coin roll collection box which the caravan owners and holiday makers at the camp site filled up over a 12-month period.

Manager Sarah McWilliams and receptionist Holly Baker visited Weymouth lifeboat station to hand over the money to Weymouth lifeboat Coxswain Andy Sargent and lifeboat mechanic Phil Hansford.

Workshop for community play

THE first Dorchester Community Plays workshop of the New Year takes place this weekend – based around movement.

The workshop is being held on Sunday, January 24th from 2pm - 4:30pm at the United Church Hall.

Stephanie Dale will share key ideas unearthed at recent research meetings and Keith Barlow will lead a two and a half-hour workshop to create action based sequences through a series of fun, improvised activities and soundscapes.

The aim of the workshop is to incorporate some of the sequences into the emerging plot for the town's next community play.

The workshop is open to all and costs £8 for adults, £4 for under 16's and free for accompanied under 12's.

To book a place contact Anne Jonathan on 01305 269510 or by email: bannejonathan14@gmail.com

Those planning to join in should wear loose, comfortable clothes.

Keith Barlow is a dance and movement specialist who studied at the Rambert School of Dance and the London Contemporary Dance School. His professional credits include being a member of Attic Theatre, Scottish Ballet, Scottish Opera and Northern Ballet Theatre.

Keith was founder artistic director of Guizers Dance/Mime Theatre performing, directing and choreographing for 16 years. For the past 12 years, Keith has been Head of Movement and Physical Theatre at Birmingham School of Acting.

Sports galore on offer at leisure centre

CHARLIE Bartlett (front) of LiveWell Dorset joins an indoor cricket session watched by Nigel Williams (left), Grant Neven (second left) and members of Martinstown and Bere Regis cricket clubs

BITTER weather failed to deter people flooding in to sample a variety of sports on offer at Osprey Leisure Centre's annual open day on Portland.

Chances to have a go at everything from paddleboarding and snorkelling to scuba diving were unaffected by freezing outdoor conditions because all taster sessions were held in Osprey's heated indoor swimming pool.

Manager Nigel Williams said visitors were also able to try out indoor cycling, short mat bowls, badminton, table tennis and several other sports.

He added: "We also gave visitors a few facts and figures via information stands run by LiveWell Dorset, the Cardio Club and Triathlon Advice.

"We are keen to highlight that Osprey Leisure Centre is so much more than just a swimming pool.

"We act as a hub for major community events from the Jurassica presentation for proposals to build an international fossil attraction at Yeolands Quarry to Weldmar Hospicecare Trust's huge walk from here to Ferrybrdige and back which will be held in March.

"Osprey is also at the centre of local health and wellbeing events, local sports clubs and injury and rehabilitation sessions.

"We really are a very varied centre with the community at our heart, so our open day was an ideal way to show our community just what we do and what they can come here to do."

New chief for Weldmar

WELDMAR Hospicecare Trust has announced the appointment of Caroline Hamblett, pictured, as its new chief executive.

She takes on the position from Alison Ryan, who is retiring at the end of January, after eleven years.

Caroline, who currently lives in Sussex but will be moving to Dorset, has spent most of her working life in the national offices of Marie Curie - ultimately as director of services. She will take up the position on February 1st.

Weldmar's Chairman Stephen Baynard said: "We feel excited and fortunate to have appointed Caroline as she brings such a strong understanding of End of Life Care, as well as a national perspective on policies and services.

"Under Alison, Weldmar has developed and extended services to patients and their families, while retaining its financial strength, and strong governance through challenging economic times. We are confident that Caroline will be building on that success. Caroline inherits an excellent legacy and solid foundation for future growth"

On her appointment Caroline commented: "I am extremely pleased to be working at Weldmar Hospicecare Trust and I wish to continue helping the people of Dorset to receive the support they need. This is a wonderful organisation and I am proud to now be part of it".

Steam show help needed

EXTRA help is needed with this year's annual Chickerell Steam and Vintage Show which takes place on July 2nd and 3rd.

Up to 8,000 people are expected to attend the event, which has been held in Chickerell since 2011, having started on Portland.

A 'meet the team' event is being held in the coming days for those interested in helping with the two-day event. It will be taking place on Thursday, January 21st at the Weymouth Fire Station on Radipole Lane from 7.30pm.

Help will be needed with marshalling, looking after the entry gates, setting up the site and clearing away.

Organiser Andy Spracklen said the event has been growing steadily in size and now attracts vehicles from all over the country.

This year's event will feature performances from the Weymouth Ukeleleans and the Portsmouth Wild West Association, wood shopping, crafts and a food hall.

Theatre stair lift installed

AFTER almost two years of fund-raising the Royal Manor Theatre, Fortuneswell, on Portland is about to officially open its long-awaited stair lift.

Those who are less mobile will no longer had to face the long climb up two flights of stairs to the auditorium.

"It has taken us almost two years to get to this point and we need to thank the many businesses, patrons and friends and supporters who have donated and purchased at our raffles and coffee mornings," said publicity officer, Len Strom.

An inauguration ceremony for the stair lift is being held this Saturday, January 23rd from 2.30pm until about 4pm. Councillor Kate Wheller will cut the ribbon at 3pm.

Not a wasted trip for South Korean delegates

STEVE Harman, Operations Manager, Eco Sustainable Solutions (front, third from left) and Paul Davies, Key Account Manager, Landia UK (back, left), with members of the South Korean delegation

A DELEGATION from South Korea has seen how food waste from Dorset households is turned into energy at one of the UK's most advanced anaerobic digester (AD) plants.

The seven-strong party was invited to view Eco Sustainable Solutions' multi-million pound facility at Piddlehinton as part of a fact-finding mission to the UK.

The 2.5 acre site handles food waste from approximately 60,000 Dorset households as well as liquid waste from milk and cheese production.

The methane gas from keeping the waste in two 2,500 cubic metre digesters at a temperature of 41 degrees Celcius generates up to 1.6MW of electricity.

Nearly two thirds of the electricity - 60 per cent - is used to power Mole Valley Farmers' neighbouring Dorchester Feed Mill, the first feed mill in the UK to be powered completely by renewable energy.

The remaining 40 per cent generated is sold on to the National Grid. The end products of the process are used as agricultural fertiliser on two local farms.

The South Korean delegation included representatives from the Korea Environment Corporation, the country's Ministry of Environment, two engineering companies and a livestock cooperative association.

They were shown around by Steve Harman, Eco's Operations Manager, and Paul Davies, Landia UK's Key Account Manager. Landia supplied four GasMix systems to the Piddlehinton site.

Mr Harman said: "We're very proud of our highly efficient AD plant which won the AD Output category at the 2013 Organics Recycling Awards.

"The South Korean delegation were very interested in every aspect of the plant's operation. It's a real compliment that they chose to look in depth at our site and how it successfully converts food waste into green energy."

MPs discuss concerns over further county budget cuts

By Trevor Bevins
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SOUTH Dorset MP Richard Drax says he is "very concerned" about the county council budget cuts his Government is imposing on Dorset.

The MP met Dorset County Council Chief Executive, Debbie Ward, along with Dorset MPs, Oliver Letwin, Simon Hoare, Mike Tomlinson and Christopher Chope, to discuss the cuts.

He said the new funding formula penalises Dorset unduly, leaving it as the worst affected County Council in the country for the year 2016/17.

"Suffice to say that our county councillors planned a balanced budget based on a reduction in our revenue support grant of 30 per cent. Instead, it has been cut by 43.3 per cent," said Mr Drax, "This, when the average cut for county councils across the country is 29 per cent.

"This is blatantly unfair and, while keeping the business rates should have helped Dorset's finances, this settlement means we will still be struggling in two years.

"I have spoken to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government and written to him. We must hope for a fairer settlement shortly."

Dorset county councillors are now planning for an additional £7.4million in cuts, over and above the £13million already planned for.

In a statement this week DCC said: "The council now urgently needs to revise its planned budget for 2016/17, which is likely to mean further reductions in services and impact on staff unless an agreement with Government can be reached."

Council leader Councillor Robert Gould said: "The main issue is that the new methodology announced by the Government was not consulted on. And, unlike previous years, they have not included any transitional arrangements to lessen the impacts on us.

"County councils, especially those in rural areas, are more harshly affected by the changes that those in more urban areas.

"It means that, despite our prudent financial planning based on previous Government announcements, we would be looking at making more severe cuts to services without having time to consult with communities.

"I am urgently speaking with the Secretary of State to stress the gravity of the situation and ask for more support through these changes."

The council expects to know the results of the Government consultation on February 2nd. The council's Cabinet is due to recommend the budget for 2016/17 on February 11th for approval by the full county council on February 15th.

New home for talking newspaper team

The group which runs the local free talking newspaper for those who are visually impaired has a new base and a new phone number.

The South West Dorset Taking Newspaper will now be carrying out its recordings from the Moose Lodge at Chickerell Road, Weymouth.

Its new phone number is 01305 783628.

Volunteers produce a weekly 'newspaper' and are also looking for additional volunteers to join them with full training offered.

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Morrish and Banham is also an elegant tasting room, for a glass of wine to be enjoyed anytime or a private tutored evening wine tasting for groups of friends, colleagues or a celebration. A monthly wine tasting society, open to all, is hosted at The Seaside Boarding, Burton Bradstock and Café Panini in Dorchester.

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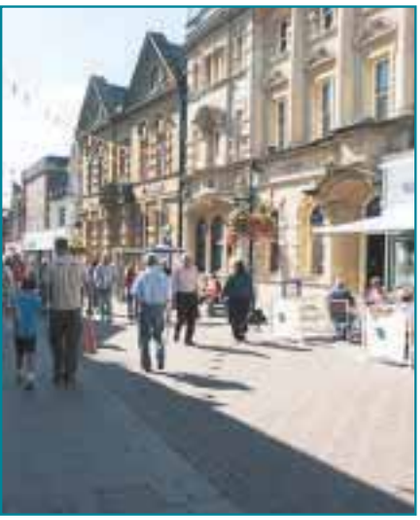

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A personal View by HARRY WALTON

THIS week's Growing Old Disgracefully slot looks at why so many elderly people carry pill boxes.

These handy little devices often have internal compartments so the user can divide what pills they must take each day into individual lots.

With such a useful and important object it was perhaps inevitable that they become customised and you can now take your drugs from pill boxes with everyone on the front from Doctor Who to Doctor Hook, but it still doesn't explain why so many elderly people have them.

Is the real answer that pensioners can forget to take a pill but having a pill box helps jog their memory?

No. The real answer is that elderly people love swapping memories and feel left out when a fellow oldie gets out their little box and pops a pill.

So they take to carrying their own pill box so they can join in even if it often contains nothing more addictive than a couple of Smarties or a small hard boiled sweet. The real problems come in a group when they pick up the wrong pill box and end up high as a kite!

The devil is in the detail

THERE are lies, damn lies and statistics but one of the most hotly disputed sets of figures concerns our individual council tax bills.

It can be a very touchy subject, not least when the TaxPayers' Alliance claims those in Weymouth and Portland pay the highest council tax in the country.

No surprise then that our local politicians rubbish this claim as "misleading" and counter claim that Weymouth is one of the lowest-cost towns to live in Dorset. So where does the truth lie?

The cold hard fact is that both sides might claim to be right but the devil is in the detail. The same figures are available to both sides. It just depends what sort of spin you want to put on them.

Weymouth and Portland council is right to say lower property costs and low council tax banding in Weymouth means the average council tax charged is just over £1,100 as against nearly £1,600 in East Dorset.

But that comment glosses over the fact that people aren't interested in averages. They are interested specifically in how much they have to pay for their property and those in Band D will pay nearly £1,754 in Weymouth and £1,769 on Portland with the island precept....nastily higher than all that talk about averages.

It would also appear wrong of the council to suggest Weymouth does well and pays less than householders in other Dorset towns including Dorchester.....because county council figures available to anyone who wants to look them up show a Band D householder in the county town will actually pay £1,600 or £154 LESS than a Band D householder in Weymouth.

What I am ready to get very annoyed about indeed is any budget debate in the next few weeks which attempts to con residents by saying the council is keeping council tax rises for 2016-2017 down to just two percent.

Their mathematical claim may be true but, while all two percent increases are equal, some are more equal than others!

A two percent increase on my 2004 bill cost me £23.34 but a two percent increase on my 2015 bill will cost me £31.18 or a third higher than it was 11 years ago. It is an identical percentage rise but it is the relevance of the circumstances that counts and council tax bills have gone up so much in recent years that two percent now means a lot more than it did over a decade ago.

So I'll leave you with one final statistic. There have been high, medium and low council tax increases and there were even two years when it was frozen, but we never seem to get a council tax cut. It's something to think about isn't it?!

Will Weymouth be under water in 2066?

IS everyone absolutely fed up to the back teeth with the amount of rain we have been having?

Gardens have been turned into bogs, watercourses have had to cope with a huge run-off of water, Radipole Lake looks like an inland sea and weathermen say it was the wettest December on record with January also a soggy reality.

All this beggars the question that, if it is like this now, what are climate conditions going to be like in say 20 or 50 years time?

I certainly won't be around in 2066 but, if the experts are right, then neither will the familiar shape of our coastline which will have been hit by erosion. And that's before the effects of river flooding are even considered.

Yes, there are plans for an Esplanade wall, a harbour barrier and higher harbour walls, but if much wetter winters are to become the norm rather than the exception then where does flood defence stop and the fortress mentality start?

Seafront properties and those areas vulnerable to flooding have to be protected but it has to be done in a way which takes a long term view of the future.

This town relies on its visitors, so I feel consideration should be given to building a "visitor friendly" feel into any defences which are constructed.

If there have to be high walls built along harbour margins then make them wide enough for a walkway so they are both defence and attraction at the same time. It is all about adapting.

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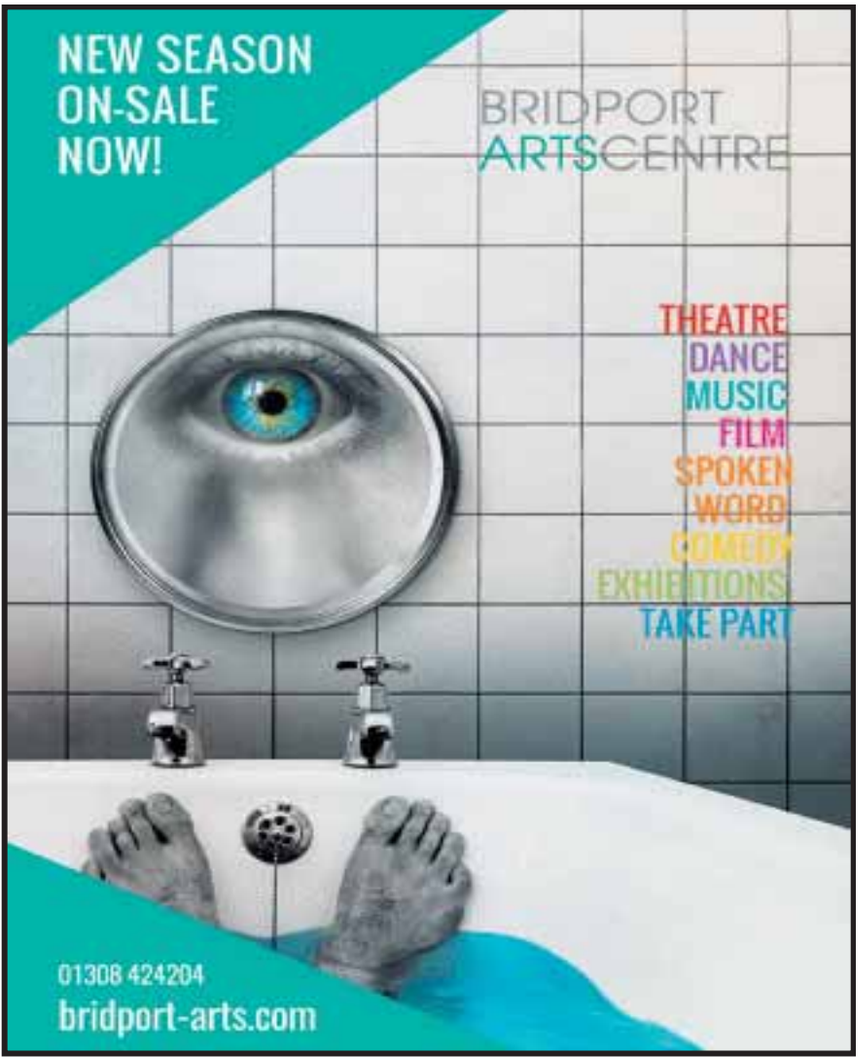

Bridport Arts Centre

BRIDPORT ARTS CENTRE NEW SEASON ANNOUNCED

THE upcoming Spring programme of events at Bridport Arts Centre has been confirmed. There are over 60 events across all arts forms including music, comedy, theatre, dance, film and visual arts. With such a diverse range of events there is bound to be something to appeal to all tastes.

For music lovers it promises to be a jam-packed season. Kicking off on Saturday 6 February with the highly acclaimed blues band Wille and the Bandits, a favourite of Radio 2's 'Whispering Bob' Harris. Followed just a few weeks later with the return to Bridport of the much-loved Police Dog Hogan on Saturday 27 February. They take their influences from Americana, Country-Folk and Urban Bluegrass. For those of you who haven't experienced one of their exhilarating live shows, you can expect an evening of foot stomping sing-alongs and belting anthems. If World Music is your thing, don't miss Son Yambu who played to a rapturous audience at the Arts Centre back in 2014. They play authentic 'Son Cubano', the essential Afro-Cuban music that originated in the streets of Havana.

Continuing previous season's advances in bringing high quality drama to Bridport, the Theatre programme is going from strength to strength. Beginning with Nobody's Home from Theatre Temoin. The production is a bold retelling of Homer's Odyssey and a stunning exploration of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Followed later in February with Peter And The Wolf set in Zimbabwe in the Eighties. As the play progress the boundaries between the classic fable and the storyteller's home life begin to blur. It features live music, 80s pop culture and huge energy. Coming up in March A Room For One is a reimagining of a true story of a night in the winter of 1981 when the Queen got stranded in a pub in a blizzard.

If you are looking for some laughs to cheer you through the dark days of late winter, then one of the many comedians coming to the Arts Centre is the answer. The comedy season kicks off with Ed Aczel on 5 February, who returns to the road for his second nationwide stand-up tour. He asks whether you can have your cake and eat it – i.e. seek to change human consciousness forever and keep your weekends free. Phoenix Night star Justin Moorhouse follows closely behind on the 20 February. He is a regular on Radio 4's News Quiz and recently appeared on Live At the Apollo. Plus the Bridport Arts Centre's own Comedy Café returns in a new slot of Wednesday nights. Starting with Matt Ewins, an Edinburgh Fringe favourite on 3 February. In March the event moves from the café to the theatre for the inaugural Comedy Café Big Night. Keep your eyes out for the full listings soon.

Alongside all these events and many more, Bridport Arts Centre continues to deliver its regular programme of weekly cinema, live opera and ballet screenings, jazz and spoken word. Pick up a copy of the new programme from the Box Office or visit the website www.bridport-arts.com to see the full line up and book tickets.

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Your guide to local live music

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Friday 22 Jan
Pilot Boat Inn, LYME REGIS
STEVE BLACK
9pm.

Saturday 23 Jan
Bridport Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
THE UPBEAT BEATLES
8pm. £16 / £14

Marine Theatre, LYME REGIS
THE LONDON KLEZMER QUARTET
Bar open 6pm, show 7pm. £15 / £10

The Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
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7.30pm

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7.30pm

The Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
GUT & STEEL
4pm

Friday 29 Jan
Bridport Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
JAYWALKERS
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Saturday 30 Jan
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Jaywalkers stroll to Bridport

BBC Young Folk Award winners bring *'Weave'* album tour to Arts Centre

THE EXCITING, young trio **Jaywalkers** will be coming to the Bridport Arts Centre on Friday, January 29th. These former BBC Young Folk Award finalists are touring their third studio album - Weave - which sees them further expanding their musical horizons at all levels. Together they effortlessly fuse elements of Bluegrass, Folk and Old-Time and the music Jaywalkers create is in¬novative, rooted deeply in tradition, and exhilarating. The night promises to be an entertaining, foot stomping evening and is not to be missed!

Most of their songs are written/inspired by stories and poetry from Mike's home county of Lancashire. The history of the area only really starts around the time of the Industrial Revolution when the cotton industry arrived. The main theme running through the album is a study of the hardships of life in the Lancashire working classes. There are moments of playful respite – their instrumentals are fast, playful up-tempo tunes – but the songs tell tales of protest, poverty, fight for freedom and, as is inevitable with folk songs, death.

Unlike their previous two albums which were done on little to no budgets, the third album finds the band working with an established producer, having full online and digital distribution, a PR campaign and the like. The larger budget for this has partly come courtesy of Help Musicians UK, who offered the band an 'Emerging Excellence Award' for young artists working in any genre of music. They applied for it in early 2014 and found out in March that they were successful. This meant the band were able to work with the fantastic Andy Bell (and his dog Hudson), who would engineer and produce the album. Considered by many to be the top folk producer working on the British Folk Scene, Andy won a Folk Award for best album with the Full English project last year. The Emerging Excellence Award also enabled them to afford an illustrator to design the album and record most of it at Wavelength Studios in Doncaster (used by the likes of Martin Simpson and Jon Boden).

The music Jaywalkers create live, and on 'Weave' is innovative, rooted deeply in tradition, and exhilarating. With the release of their new album and a full year of touring and festivals behind them, 2015 has been a breakthrough year for the band.... and things are only looking up for this young trio.

Jaywalkers play at Bridport Arts Centre on Friday, January 29th, with doors opening 7.30pm for 8pm start. Tickets are £11 or £9, available from the website www.bridport-arts.com or by calling 01308 424204.

Jaywalkers

Charity Music Night

Mr Jean to play at Symondsbury event

AMY Day is running the London Marathon 2016 for Prostate Cancer UK. As part of her fund raising she is holding a Charity Music Night in the Tithe Barn, Manor Yard, Symondsbury on Friday, February 12th from 7pm, with local group **Mr Jèan** will be performing from 7.30pm, they are a unique party band playing the best of disco, pop, dance and rock from the 70s until the modern day.

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Symondsbury Estate have provided the Tithe Barn as a venue free of charge.

Tickets are just £5 and can be purchased either by popping into the Estate Office at Manor Yard, Symondsbury, via the Symondsbury Estate website or Amy Day's fundraising page online at virginmoneygiving.com

Mr Jèan

All you need is The Upbeat Beatles

Top tribute to the Fab Four comes to Bridport

THE UPBEAT BEATLES are coming to Bridport Arts Centre this Saturday, January 23rd at 8pm, with their new show. Featuring over two hours of your favourite Beatles classics, they will take you from the depths of Liverpool's Cavern Club to the end of the Sixtes, and their final show on the roof of the Apple Building.

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The Upbeat Beatles

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Dick Whittington at the Palace

It's pantomime time again – oh yes it is - and loyal fans of Bridport Pantomime Players will be delighted to know it's *Dick Whittington*

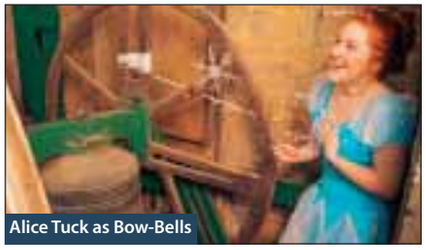
AMY WHEATLEY plays thev eponymous hero who travels to London to seek fame and fortune believing the streets to be paved with gold! On his way he befriends Tommy the Cat, a super-duper rat catcher played by Sarah Pitcher, and once in London falls in love with the lovely Alice (Laura Dunford). Alice is the daughter of the very important Alderman Fitzwarren (Greg Horton) who gives Dick a job. All seems well, but evil is afoot in the guise of King Rat (Teresa Grinter) who with the help of two gullible sailors, Cod and Skate (Sue Farrant and Hattie Amos) makes sure Dick is disgraced.

Dame Sarah Suet (Jess Ives) ably caters for the needs of everyone whilst Idle Jack (Emily Shoemark) lives up to the word Idle! After a contrived ship wreck, everyone is washed up on the shores of Morocco where the Sultan (Sarah Light) and his Wazir (Jo Aisthorpe) believe themselves to rule the land. All ends well as all good pantomimes should, but not without the help of Fairy Bow-Bells (Alice Tuck) who takes up her wand to make the magic.

This pantomime has something for everyone and will be on stage at The Electric Palace from Wednesday, February 3rd to Saturday, February 6th at 7.30pm with a matinee on Thursday 1.30pm, and Saturday at 2pm. Tickets £9 (concession £7). FIRST NIGHT (Wedneday, February 3rd) all tickets £6 (no further reductions) on sale at the Tourist Information Centre from January 6th.

So leave behind the gloom and cold of winter, make your way to The Electric Palace and sail away on the Saucy Sue to the warmer climes of Morocco and join in the fun – nobody is too old – in fact some of you who haven't been to a pantomime for years will have the time of your lives – oh yes you will!

Amy Wheatley as Dick Whittington


Alice Tuck as Bow-Bells

Teresa Grinter as King Rat

Marine Theatre launches new season of events

THE MARINE THEATRE launched its new Spring season last Friday (January 15th) with a Launch in the Theatre Bar and a performance by local band Cosmic Café Lite.

This is the first of the Marine's new Bar opening times under the new management of Elizabeth Eade. The Theatre Bar will be open every Friday and Saturday evening from 5pm until 1am with free live music every Friday, a new Cocktail menu on offer and a range of local beers, wines and ciders.

Highlights of the theatre's Spring programme include the Lyme Youth Theatre show - part of prestigious National Theatre Festival - from March 9th-12th, featuring 22 local teenagers in a raucous musical Bedbug set in 1920s Russia! Party nights make a return to the Marine, with local Funk Band Mr Jean playing on Friday, January 29th followed by DJs until 1am. The theatre will also play host to a number of celebrity stand-up comedians from TV and Radio including Robert Newman, Stewart Francis, and Mark Steel.

Artistic Director Clemmie Reynolds said: "I hope there will be something for everybody at the Marine this Spring. But if there's something you'd love to see on at the theatre in the future, pop in and let me know!"

Other key new features of the season are daytime performances, joint events with the Mill and Museum, an enticing Black Tie fundraising dinner-dance, a jam-packed Easter holidays of family shows, and a wide range of theatre performances including dance, opera, Shakespeare and storytelling.

For the full programme, pick up a copy of the season brochure from the Marine Theatre and Tourist Information Centre.

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Rising stars at The BridgeHouse Beaminster

CHANGE at the top can be a worry for any business. But at the BridgeHouse, Beaminster it's seen as a golden opportunity to promote from within and back those who have proved themselves with their skill, loyalty and passion for the restaurant.

The departure of Head Chef, Steve Pielesz, to pastures new after six years left the coveted top spot open to all. It's a tough act to follow. Steve has steered the restaurant to Taste of the West Gold Awards 3 years running and has maintained 2 Rosette standard along with contributing to the hotel's Dorset Hotel of the Year Award in 2013/14.

Step up Netherbury girl, Geraldine Gay – Steve's right hand woman for the last 5 years. She has regularly deputised for Steve and has learnt her trade well from Steve. Geri brings a fresh take on menus and cooking style which she aims to reveal in the coming months. Her skill with pastry is already proven so expect some spectacular results there.

'The BridgeHouse has an enviable reputation for its food. It's my aim to build on that and take it to another level,' says Geri. 'At the same time I want to continue to make the

The BridgeHouse Beaminster's new head chef, Geraldine Gay

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Dining out in West Dorset: BEAMINSTER Brasserie at the BridgeHouse

restaurant increasingly accessible to all with new and competitive ideas and offers. Hotels like the BridgeHouse have experienced considerable change through the recession and have become more than just special occasion venues. I really enjoy a more casual style of dining and I'm passionate about local sourcing and so I'm very excited about the coming year.

Sunday Lunch is Geri's first target. From January 24th the restaurant is offering a delicious choice of local meats for just £15. Add dessert for £5 for the best fresh cooked Sunday roast around for a very competitive price in beautiful surroundings. Geri will also unveil her first new Dinner Menu at the beginning of February while of, of course, she'll be pulling out all the stops for Valentine's with a 7 course Taster Menu on February 13th, an a la carte menu with complimentary glass of Prosecco on the day itself... and a spectacular Sunday Lunch for just £20pp on the 14th February.

While Geri is now the kitchen's figurehead, the restaurant is also very pleased that her two understudies, Dan Dominguez and Nat Berney also move up the ranks to Sous and Junior Sous respectively. Once again, this follows a great BridgeHouse tradition in encouraging and promoting local staff.

And for those who love the BridgeHouse just as it is... don't worry. Home cooked, locally sourced food in relaxed, informal settings remain at the core of the restaurant. By all means book the special event but watch out for new and exciting offers as Geri and her team flex their culinary muscles.

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The Big Short 15
Fri, Wed: 13.30, 16.45, 20.00
Sat & Sun: 11.00, 17.00, 20.00
Tue, Wed: 13.45, 17.00, 20.00
The Danish Girl 15
Fri: 12.15, Sat & Sun: 14.00, Mon: 11.30am, Tue-Thu: 12.00
The Hateful Eight 18
Fri-Sun: 16.30, Mon: 14.15, Tue-Thu: 13.30
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Fri, Mon, Wed: 12.15, 16.00, 19.45
Sat & Sun: 16.15, 19.45
Tue & Thu: 12.00, 15.30
Capture the Flag 2D PG
Sat & Sun: 11.15, 13.45
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Thu: 14.40, 17.40, 20.45
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Doors at the Story Café open at 7pm on Friday, January 22nd, and the storytelling begins at 7.30pm. The evening is suitable for adults and older children. Tickets are £7 / £6 members / £5 concessions available from Bridport Arts Centre box office 01308 424204 and via the website www.bridport-arts.com

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8.00-9.30pm VOLLEYBALL

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View 2 Diary Dates

UNTIL SUNDAY JANUARY 24TH

Lyme Regis: Visit The Town Mill's annual New Year's Art Sale for affordable gifts created by local artists. The Courtyard and Malthouse Galleries, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU. Open daily; 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission. For more details visit www.townmillartsguild.com

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 20TH

Bridport: Bridport Camera Club "Mystery Motor Tour": a talk by Brian Sidwell. 7.30pm Chancery House, DT6 3JT. New members are always welcome. All enquiries please phone the Club Secretary on 01308 459266.

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

THURSDAY JANUARY 21ST

Dorchester: South Dorset R.S.P.B. Group will give a talk at St George's Church Hall, Fordington, Dorchester at 7-45 p.m. The talk will be given by Neil Gartshore, tour leader and photographer, on Birdwatching in Spain.The birds of marshes and mountains and their migration. Admission: Group members £3, Visitors £3.50 to include coffee and biscuits.

Eype, Bridport: Aqua Fit Sessions. 10.30am – 11.30am Enjoy getting fit in the water; Parent & Baby/Toddler swimming course 11.30am – 12 noon, helps build water confidence and bonding. More details from Penny Yarnold, 07970 879047.

FRIDAY JANUARY 22ND

Lyme Regis: Lyme Bay Photographic Club. Jonathan Walker, Archive pictures of war photography from the Crimea to latest conflicts. At Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, 7.30pm.

Bridport: Bridport Area 50+ Forum Meeting at WI Hall, North Street, 11am-2pm. Instead of lunch, coffee and biscuits will be served on arrival together with a programme of the meeting. For more details call 01308 424318.

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 10-11.30am at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

West Bay, Bridport: Exercise to Music for ages 50+. 3-4.30pm at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

MONDAY JANUARY 25TH

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Bridport: Talk by Jasper Shackleton 'In the Wake of Captain William Bligh of the Bounty'. At Bridport United Church Hall, East Street, 2.30pm. Presented by the Golden Cap Association (West Dorset). Non-members welcome. Admission £3. Includes tea or coffee and biscuits.

Bridport: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 5.45-7pm at the WI Hall. £5 per session. Every Monday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

TUESDAY JANUARY 26TH

Lyme Regis: Lyme Regis Art Society. Workshop 10am–1pm at Lyme Regis Football Club, Charmouth Road, Lyme Regis. A follow up to Stephen Foster's demonstration on a seascape in oil over acrylic, using a palette knife. Free on site parking. All are welcome. Please contact Sue Wells on 01297 444289 to register and for more information including suggested list of materials.

West Bay, Bridport: Chair-based Exercise. 10.30am-12noon at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Tuesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 27TH

Uplyme: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society's first meeting of 2016. A Social Evening, Seed Swap and Quiz, at 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall. A good time to catch up with friends, swap your spare seeds, pay subscriptions, book for outings and collect a 2016 Summer Show Schedule. The quiz will be fairly lighthearted and not too long, allowing plenty of time for socialising. Bring and Share supper.

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

Dorchester: Talk 'Over the Sea to Skye' by Vivienne Linington for Evergreens Social Group at AgeUK Dorchester at 1.45pm. Illustrated with video footage, Vivienne will tell all about her experiences of living on the Isle of Skye in the 1970s. Everyone welcome. Enjoy and interesting and tasty afternoon in good company with a cup of tea and biscuits, for just £1.50. For more details call 01305 269444.

THURSDAY JANUARY 28TH

Beaminster: Raja Jarrah will be speaking to the One World Forum in the Strode Room, 7.30pm, about 'Sustainable International Development'. Visitors £4 includes tea/coffee/biscuits. Enquiries Peter 01308 458283

Eype, Bridport: Aqua Fit Sessions. 10.30am – 11.30am Enjoy getting fit in the water; Parent & Baby/Toddler swimming course 11.30am – 12 noon, helps build water confidence and bonding. More details from Penny Yarnold, 07970 879047.

THURSDAY JAN 28TH - WEDNESDAY FEB 10TH

Lyme Regis: The humble Still Life is feted in this themed exhibition that explores how local artists capture these intimate domestic scenes. The Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, DT7 3PU. Open daily; 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission. www.townmillartsguild.com

FRIDAY JANUARY 29TH

Lyme Regis: Introduction to Mindfulness Workshop at Masonic Hall, 1-4pm. Buy one, bring a friend for half price! To find out more or to book visit www.growagain.co.uk or call 07554 451 347.

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 10-11.30am at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

West Bay, Bridport: Exercise to Music for ages 50+. 3-4.30pm at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

SATURDAY JANUARY 30TH

Uplyme: Lionel Handy (internationally acclaimed cellist) accompanied by Jennifer Hughes at Uplyme Church, 7pm. £10 on the door. Children free. Performing Faure, Ireland, Delius and Ravel.

SATURDAY JANUARY 30TH & SUNDAY 31ST

Lyme Regis: The Woodroffe Annual Art Show 2016 showcases recent artwork made by students from all years at The Woodroffe School and a variety of classes and media including Art, Graphics, Photography, Textiles and Design and Technology. The Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, DT7 3PU. Open weekends 11am-4pm and private view Sat 30 January at 6pm. Free admission. www.townmillartsguild.com

SUNDAY JANUARY 31ST

Whitchurch Canonicorum: 16th Annual Farmhouse Breakfast in the Whitchurch Canonicorum Village Hall DT66RF from 9am till 2pm. Come and enjoy a traditional farmhouse breakfast also choice of Cereals, Dorset Muesli, fruit, fruit salad, yogurts, tea/coffee and toast. Local produce, raffle in aid of Prostrate Cancer UK and proceeds from breakfast for the Village Hall Maintenance Funds. More details phone 01297 489375

MONDAY FEBRUARY 1ST

Bridport: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 5.45-7pm at the WI Hall. £5 per session. Every Monday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 2ND

Lyme Regis: Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2-4pm at Woodmead Halls. Karl Taylor was brought up in Penzance and graduated from Carmarthen Art College. He will be demonstrating his approach to a still life in acrylics. All are welcome. Non-members admittance is £5. Contact Sheila on 01297 445464 for further information.

Dorchester: Le Cercle Francais de Dorchester, aka the Dorchester French Circle meeting. This will be 'Un Canadien a Bridport'. It will be given by Stefane Frigon, renowned Chef at the Olive Tree Restaurant in Bridport, at AgeUK Dorchester at 4 Prince of Wales Road, DT1 1PW. It has its own car park. We will meet in the Roger Thomas Conference Room from 7.30-9.30 pm. Refreshments will be available from 7.30. Please feel free to join us,whatever your level of spoken French. You will be sure of a warm welcome. For further information and to see our full programme please visit our website www.dorchesterfrenchcircle.org.uk or call 01305 854025.

West Bay, Bridport: Chair-based Exercise. 10.30am-12noon at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Tuesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 3RD

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 4TH

Bridport: Bridport Electronic Organ Club concert with Darrel Harvey at the United Church Hall, East Street (DT6 3LJ), 7.30pm. Members £7.50, visitors £9. With refreshments. For more details call 01460 73500.

Singers' 50th anniversary concert

2016 MARKS the New Elizabethan Singers' 50th anniversary year.

They start the celebrations by performing a rarely heard 17th century work by Heinrich Biber, who was the Kapellmeister of Salzburg Cathedral. His "Missa Salisburgensis" is probably the largest-scale piece of sacred Baroque music ever written, celebrating the 1100th anniversary of the founding of the Archbishopric of Salzburg. It calls for two choirs, sixteen soloists, a 35 piece orchestra and two organs, explaining why it's rarely performed. In order to fit into St Mary's Church rather than Salzburg Cathedral, NES musical director Matt Kingston has re-scored it. This will be its first performance, featuring the NES, eight professional soloists, a more limited orchestra and just the one organ. It will, none the less, be a rousing performance and will also include the well-known "Gloria" by Vivaldi.

The concert starts at 7.30 pm on Saturday, January 30th in St. Mary's Church, Bridport. Tickets (£12, under 18s free) are available in advance from Goadsby and Bridport Music, both in South St.

Two legends, one great night of Las Vegas

Fisher Stevens ready to rock Winstons with tributes to Elvis and Neil Diamond

FOR the first event of 2016 Winstons Bar and Grill presents 'Legends Of Las Vegas', a two hour spectacular featuring tributes to Elvis Presley and Neil Diamond. This show has been playing in London for quite a while and the event's organisers at Winstons are very excited about being able to put on such a prestige event.

Fisher Stevens the man behind the voices, has been doing this for many years, and has appeared on TV several times.

His current show sells out wherever he goes and you can expect classics such as 'Sweet Caroline', 'Song Sung Blue', 'Hound Dog', 'The Wonder of You', and so many more.

Winstons Manager Chris Oakes said "This show has already created interest and tickets are selling fast, I know this is going to be a great night, and this is the first in a whole range of music events planned for the year".

Tickets are priced at £10 in advance or £13 on the night and can be purchased from Winstons Bar and Grill in Seaton, Beer Village Stores or Axe Music in Axminster.

For a full list of gigs for the year go to the website or check on lemonrock.com/winstons

Jam-packed spring season of standup at Bridport Arts Centre

THERE WILL be laughter aplenty at Bridport Arts Centre over the coming weeks and months with a new season of comedy confirmed.

Kicking off the season is Ed Aczel on Friday, February 5th; he is a cult Edinburgh Fringe favourite who describes himself as a purveyor of 'anti –comedy'. He doesn't follow the rules of stand-up comedy and wants his show with the help of Chaos Theory to change the world, providing it's not too complicated.

Later that month the 'comedic tour-de-force' that is Justin Moorhouse comes to Bridport. He is a regular on *Radio 4's News Quiz* and has appeared on BBC1's Live At The Apollo and not forgetting his winning performance on Celebrity Mastermind. But perhaps he is best known for his role alongside Peter Kay in *Phoenix Nights*.

More big names are appearing throughout the season, Rob Auton, Fred MacAuley and Simon Evans will all be entertaining the audiences of Bridport Arts Centre in the spring.

Plus the Arts Centre's own regular event Comedy Café continues, albeit in a new slot of Wednesday evenings, with local favourite Tom Glover joined by a host of great comedians including Matt Ewins and Gareth Richards. For the first time there will be the Comedy Café Big Night in the theatre on March 25th. Tom will be bringing the best of the South West's comedians to join him for a night of high quality comedy.

To find out more about all of these events visit the Bridport Arts Centre website www.bridport-arts.com where you can get the full low down and buy tickets.

- **Wednesday 3 February, 8pm**
  Comedy Café – Matt Ewins £8 / £6
- **Friday 5 February, 8pm**
  Ed Aczel - £10 / £8
- **Saturday 2 February, 8pm**
  Justin Moorhouse - £14/ £12 / MDA
- **Wednesday 2 March, 8pm**
  Comedy Café – Gareth Richards £8 / £6
- **Friday 25 March, 8pm**
  Comedy Café Big Night £8 / £6
- **Friday 29 April, 8pm**
  Fred MacAulay £14
- **Wednesday 4 May, 8pm**
  Comedy Café
  – Dan Thomas £8 / £6
- **Saturday 14 May, 8pm**
  Simon Evans
  £14 / £12 / MDA

Justin Moorhouse

Lionel Handy returns for concert

LIONEL HANDY, internationally acclaimed cellist, is returning to Uplyme Church for a concert of cello and piano music on Saturday, January 30th.

Lionel has had a long association with Uplyme Church and it is with great pleasure that we welcome Lionel and his distinguished accompanist, Jennifer Hughes, back on Saturday, January 30th at 7pm for an evening of French and English romantic music which will include works by Faure, Ireland, Delius and Ravel. Admission is byticket £10 on the door. No charge for children.

Lionel Handy is one of the outstanding cellists of his generation. It will be a great privilege to have him once again in Uplyme . As a scholarship student at the Royal Academy of Music, Lionel Handy won all the prizes for cello and chamber music, He has been awarded F.R.A.M. from the Royal Academy of Music.

Lionel was principal cello with the Academy of St. Martin-in-the-Fields for ten years with whom he recorded extensively and toured the United States and Europe many times. Later as solo cellist with the Bournemouth Sinfonietta, he performed an eclectic range of concertos from CPE Bach and Boccherini to Tavener and Roxburgh.

Lionel has given several solo recitals at the Wigmore Hall and South Bank. He has premiered many contemporary works and with the London Sinfonietta has worked with many of the leading composers of recent times. Lionel has played as guest principal with most of the UK's leading orchestras including the Philharmonia, LSO, Halle, Royal Liverpool Philharmonic and English Chamber Orchestra. His interest in British twentieth century music has led to performances of the concertos by Finzi, Bax, Walton and Delius.

To date, he has commissioned nine new works for cello. Last year he recorded the concertos by Arnold Bax and Stanley Bate with the Scottish National Orchestra. Copies of the recording will be available at the concert. He plays on a cello by Fendt (circa 1820).

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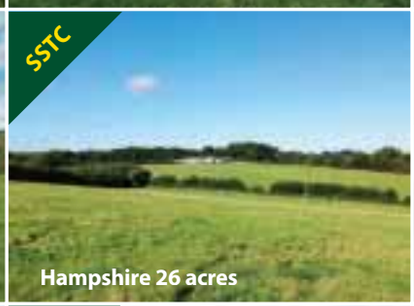

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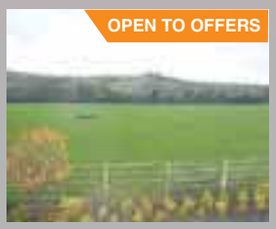

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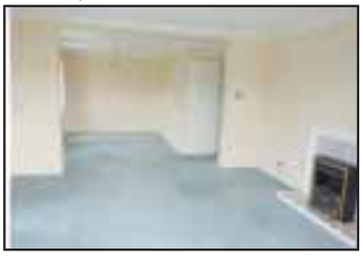

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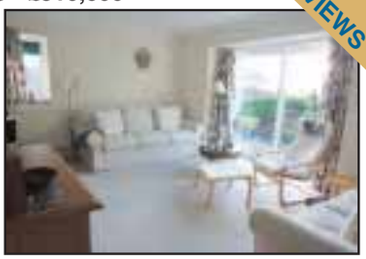

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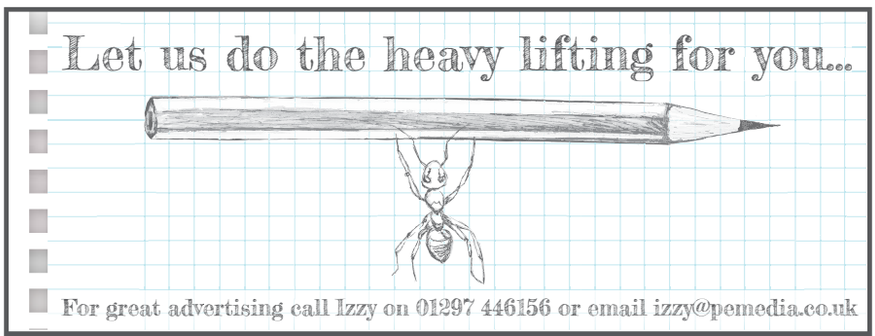

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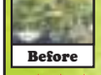

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All-new Ford Focus RS pioneers innovative AWD and performance technologies for ultimate driving enjoyment

FORD'S all-new Focus RS high-performance car pioneers the innovative Ford Performance All Wheel Drive (AWD) system, and delivers class-leading cornering speed, thrilling performance and unbridled driving enjoyment.

The Focus RS also introduces advanced performance technologies, and is the first Ford RS equipped with selectable Drive Modes – including an industry-first Drift Mode – and Launch Control.

With a specially engineered 350 PS version of Ford's new 2.3-litre EcoBoost engine, the high-performance hatchback is the fastest ever RS model, sprinting from 0-100 km/h (0-62 mph) in 4.7 seconds and hitting a top speed of 266 km/h (165 mph).

"The all-new Focus RS is a serious machine with high-performance technology and innovative engineering that sets new benchmarks for driving exhilaration on the road and track," said Raj Nair, group vice president, Global Product Development, Ford Motor Company. "It's a great example of our passion for innovation through performance and creating vehicles that make people's hearts pound."

The Focus RS is part of a performance onslaught from Ford that will see more than 12 performance vehicles delivered to customers globally through 2020, including the stunning Ford GT ultra-high-performance supercar that will compete at the 24 Hours of Le Mans in 2016.

The all-new Focus RS is the first ever RS model that will be sold in North America and China, and commenced volume production for a total of 42 global markets on Jan. 14 at Ford's Saarlouis, Germany, manufacturing plant.

European customers have already placed more than 3,100 orders for the new model, with 250,000 vehicles configured by customers on Ford's websites.

Innovative Ford Performance All Wheel Drive offers unmatched handling

The all-new Focus RS features innovative Ford Performance AWD with Dynamic Torque Vectoring to deliver a new level of handling capability and driver enjoyment, combining outstanding traction and grip with unmatched agility and cornering speed.

The Ford Performance AWD system is based on twin electronically-controlled clutch packs on each side of the rear drive unit (RDU). These manage the car's front-to-rear torque split, and also can control the side-to-side torque distribution at the rear axle – delivering the "torque vectoring" capability, which has a dramatic impact on handling and cornering stability.

The control unit in the RDU continuously varies the front-to-rear and side-to-side torque distribution to suit the current driving situation, monitoring inputs from multiple vehicle sensors 100 times per second. A maximum of 70 per cent of the drive torque can be diverted to the rear axle. Up to 100 per cent of the available torque at the rear axle can be sent to each rear wheel, and the RDU can switch drive from one side to the other in as little as 0.06 seconds.

During cornering, the rear drive unit pre-emptively diverts torque to the outer rear wheel based on inputs such as steering wheel angle, lateral acceleration, yaw and speed. This torque transfer has the effect of "driving" the car into the bend, achieving improved turn-in and stability, and virtually eliminating understeer.

The AWD system has been tuned by Ford engineers to deliver exceptional grip – with lateral acceleration force exceeding 1 g – and class-leading cornering speed and acceleration out of bends. With neutral and adjustable limit handling, and the ability to achieve controlled oversteer drifts at the track, the Focus RS delivers the ultimate fun-to-drive experience.

"This AWD system is a breakthrough technology, capable of delivering supreme cornering and handling at the limit," said Dave Pericak, director, Global Ford Performance. "We have ripped up the rulebook which says that AWD hatchbacks cannot be fun to drive, and have created a car which will surprise and reward in equal measure."

To deliver optimum driving dynamics, the Ford Performance AWD system was calibrated alongside the car's advanced Electronic Stability Control, in particular the brake-based Torque Vectoring Control system that works in parallel with the torque-vectoring AWD.

Other exclusive chassis features include sports suspension with stiffer spring rates – increased by 33 per cent front and 38 per cent rear – and more efficient anti-roll-bars than those found in the Focus ST, and two-mode switchable dampers, which offer a 40 per cent firmer Sport setting for track driving. A carefully tuned electric power-assisted steering system, working in combination with an optimised front suspension knuckle design and shorter steering link arms, delivers responsive steering with outstanding feel.

To ensure there was no compromise to the precision and connected feel offered by the steering, additional stiffening measures were introduced to the chassis – notably in the rear subframe – and the rear body structure. These measures increased the vehicle's overall torsional stiffness by 23 per cent compared to a standard Focus model.

Ford engineers worked closely with Michelin to develop a choice of high-performance 235/35 R19 tyres to complement the driving dynamics of the Focus RS: a standard Pilot Super Sport tyre for every-day use.

The vehicle's exterior design has also been developed to support the driving dynamics. Careful aerodynamic optimisation of the front splitter, rear spoiler and underbody features eliminates lift forces, and the final design delivers a balanced performance with zero lift front and rear for optimum high-speed handling and stability.

With a drag coefficient of 0.355, the shape of the new model is 6 per cent more aerodynamic than the previous Focus RS, and with its more compact frontal area, the vehicle generates 9 per cent less drag, improving high-speed performance and reducing fuel consumption.

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The new MINI John Cooper Works Convertible

POTENT, race-bred John Cooper Works performance is now available as an open-air experience, with the debut of the new MINI John Cooper Works Convertible this spring.

This new model uses the same 2-litre TwinPower Turbo engine as found in MINI John Cooper Works Hatch, complete with its impressive 231hp and 320nm of torque. So equipped, this latest addition to the MINI Convertible range can reach 62mph from rest in 6.5 seconds, before reaching a top speed of 150mph.

To harness this powerful engine the suspension, braking and cooling specification of the MINI Convertible has been suitably upgraded. The MINI John Cooper Works Convertible runs model-specific suspension settings, with a bespoke braking system and larger intakes to increase cooling capability. The design alterations to the body not only aide aerodynamic performance, but also give the MINI John Cooper Works Convertible its own aesthetic appeal.

Inside, John Cooper Works sports seats and sporty trim touches create the perfect ambience for the enthusiast driver, and can be complemented by a wide range of optional extras, including MINI Media Pack XL featuring MINI Connected.

Engine: power and torque gains for John Cooper Works Convertible

The latest John Cooper Works specification engine comprises turbocharging integrated in the exhaust manifold, petrol direct injection with injectors arranged centrally between the valves, VALVETRONIC fully variable valve control, and variable camshaft control on the intake and exhaust side (double VANOS). This is combined with modifications that give the engine of the MINI John Cooper Works Convertible an additional 39hp over the standard Cooper S model. The main focus has been on developing a new turbocharger, made of a highly temperature-resilient material, which delivers more boost. The pistons have also been specified accordingly, enabling a higher compression ratio. The result is a maximum torque of 320nm at just 1,250 rpm through to 4,800 rpm, while at 5,200rpm the engine supplies its peak power output of 231hp - maintained at a constant level until 6,000 rpm.

The performance figures illustrate the potency on offer: the sprint from 0-62mph takes 6.6 seconds with the manual transmission (automatic: 6.5 seconds), and the top speed is 149mph (150mph). The John Cooper Works sports exhaust system is especially noticeable during top-down driving: with its reduced exhaust backpressure, it both contributes to a spontaneous power delivery and also generates the sound typical of the John Cooper Works models.

MINI John Cooper Works Convertible benefits from a number of efficiency measures which also have been introduced on other models, including MINI John Cooper Works Hatch. For example, the auto start/stop function can now be used in conjunction with the Steptronic transmission, and the standard MINI Driving Modes include the GREEN mode, which supports an efficient driving style. If the Steptronic transmission is fitted, it is possible to use the coasting function at speeds of between 30-100mph, as soon as the driver removes their foot from the accelerator pedal. The result is impressive fuel and emissions figures: the new MINI John Cooper Works Convertible achieves an average fuel consumption of 47.9mpg (43.5mpg) and a CO2 emissions level of 152g/km (138g/km).

▲ MINI John Cooper Works Convertible

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THE new Mercedes-Benz E-Class Saloon is now available to order in the UK, priced from £35,935 OTR, ahead of first deliveries in May. Two trim levels are available, SE and AMG Line, and two engines, the E 220 d and E 350 d.

The UK range starts with the E 220 d SE, priced from £35,935, with the E 220 d AMG Line from £38,430. The E 350 d SE starts at £44,930, and the E 350 d AMG Line at £47,425.

The E 220 d uses an all-new four-cylinder 2.0-litre bi-turbo engine producing 195 hp and 400 Nm, with the nine-speed 9G-Tronic automatic gearbox that is standard on all new UK E-Class Saloon models. As well as helping to create seamlessly smooth shifts, the 9G-Tronic gearbox also contributes to the E 220 d's low 102 g/km CO2 rating and high 72.4 mpg economy. By comparison the previous-generation E 220 CDI Saloon, launched in 2009, produced 170 hp from its 2.1-litre engine, and returned a then-impressive 53.3 mpg and 139 g/km of CO2. Acceleration from 0-62 mph in the new E 200 d takes just 7.3 seconds – 0.4 seconds faster than the outgoing E 250 CDI.

First deliveries of the six-cylinder E 350 d are due in the summer. This produces 258 hp and 620 Nm; making for 0-62 mph in 5.9 sec, while emitting 133 g/km and returning 55.4 mpg. These are improvements over the previous-generation E 350 CDI Saloon of 27 hp; 80 Nm; 0.9 sec; 48 g/km and 14.5 mpg.

The petrol-electric hybrid E 350 e (279 hp; 600 Nm; 6.2 sec; 49 g/km; 134.5 mpg) joins the UK line-up later in 2016.

Standard specification on the SE includes: Garmin Map Pilot navigation system with 8.4-inch display; Parktronic parking sensors with reversing camera and Park Pilot self-parking system; Collision Prevention Assist Plus autonomous emergency braking system; Pre-Safe anticipatory safety system (including Pre-Safe Sound, which helps prevent damage to hearing); 64-colour selectable LED interior lighting; two-zone automatic climate control; three-spoke multifunction steering wheel with dual touchpads; leather upholstery with heated front seats; LED headlights and taillights; electrically folding mirrors and 17-inch wheels (18-inch on the E 350 d).

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Comand satellite navigation with 12.3-inch widescreen display is standard on E 350 d models and £1,495 on the E 220 d. The accompanying 12.3-inch widescreen cockpit display is £495.

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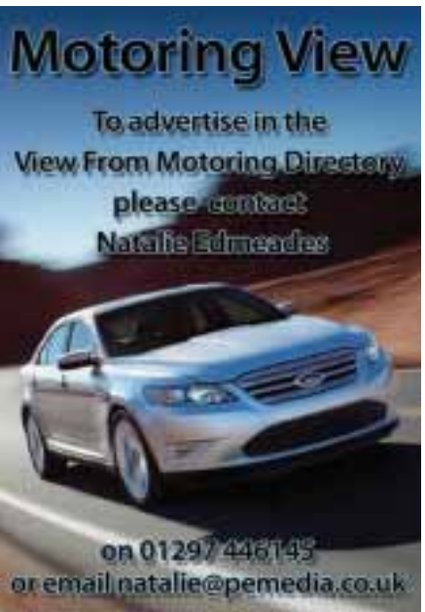

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Dorset Senior (24)	Pld	Pts
Gillingham Town Res	8	19
Witchampton Utd	9	18*
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Dorset Div One (22)	Pld	Pts
Boscombe Polonia	11	25
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Dorset Div Two (24)	Pld	Pts
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Corfe Mullen Utd Res	10	11
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Football round-up

Jermyn: Time to get behind the Magpies

DORCHESTER Town manager Mark Jermyn believes his side are on the brink of better things and is urging fans who may have been disappointed with results over the last couple of seasons, to start getting behind his team.

Speaking after a well earned 3-0 victory over Cambridge City on Saturday despite atrocious conditions underfoot that tested both teams he said: "The first half was tricky for both teams and it's not a pretty game to look back on by any means, but I think it's a tremendous result because they're not a bad team."

Jermyn has introduced a number of young players into the side since the summer, which has meant neither he or assistant Nick Crittenden have necessary featured in the starting line-up of late whilst the team continue to push for a play-off position this season.

He said: "This is a group that will hopefully stay together. They are showing some really good signs now but this is the start, and what we can accomplish in a season or two seasons' time should hopefully be a lot bigger.

Assessing his current squad he praised them saying: "I think a lot of each and every one of my players and there's not really anyone who has got a question mark over them at this point in the season.

"There's nobody that we would take out at the moment, which is brilliant for me; and they love being here. It's a settled camp and I think recent results really do show that they are working hard and there's a lot of togetherness.

"The football club is turning a corner. They've gone through a lot of hard times and, not that the good times are back, but we're on the crest of a wave and we're climbing again now.

"We're looking at stepping forward now and that's massively positive for all of us, the supporters as well.

The county town boss urges missing fans to pay a visit to The Avenue ns see for themselves.

"The ones that haven't been down for a while I just urge them to come back and watch us.

"If they don't like us that's fine; but come and watch us and make a decision on how we're playing now.

"I'm not saying it was great football against Cambridge, but the result and the character and mentality of the players was there to see.

"When I came to the club first, things like that were the reason why people liked Dorchester so much, and I really think we're getting back to that stage.

"We've got a young group and I really hope we can keep them together.

"I really want people to come and enjoy watching them."

Magpies put on second half show

Dorchester Town 3 Cambridge City 0

Evo-Stik Southern Premier – att; 427

DORCHESTER Town overcame a dogged Cambridge City to produce a much more convincing second half display that saw them maintain their position just behind the play-off spots.

A pitch that, despite having only been played on once in four weeks, showed bad signs of wear even during the warm-up, and deteriorated resulting in misplaced passes and frustration for the players as the ball bobbled eccentrically.

Jonah Ayunga coped well with the bumpy surface in the fifth minute when he ran through the Lillywhites defence evading three tackles before offloading to Nathan Walker, starting the match up front, who was ruled offside.

At the other end, Kaan Fehmi had Alan Walker-Harris stretching to turn a delicate 20-yard chip away from his top corner.

Two astonishing misses, one at each end, followed within two minutes of each other.

Firstly a Charlie Davis free kick was pulled back from the byline by Franklyn Clarke to the inrushing Matt Oldring who somehow managed to lift it over the bar from inside the six-yard box, whilst at the other end the Lilywhites' Fehmi missed an even better opportunity.

Ieuan Lewis brushed aside Neil Martin's challenge and with Walker-Harris rushing to narrow the angle, played in Fehmi who somehow managed to sidefoot his shot over the crossbar from seven-yards.

Both sides continue to struggle on a pitch with no pace or bounce in it, and chances were few. The best move of the half that saw Oakley Hanger collect Oldring's pass before crossing to Walker who vollied straight at visiting keeper Zac Barrett.

The second half appeared to be more of the same, but six minutes in Dorchester got the break that was to turn the game.

Ayunga was quickest to react when the ball ran loose on the edge of the penalty area and was caught by the covering Lee Chaffey. Referee Christopher Wade immediately pointed to the penalty spot, but the usually reliable Davis shot straight at Barrett.

However the rebound fell kindly and he fired the ball into the roof of the net.

Cambridge almost got back into the game almost immediately when captain Buster Harradine struck the post direct from a corner, but the Magpies doubled their lead on 57 minutes.

Walker won the ball back following a Magpies corner, and although his delicate chip forward didn't find Watson the ball fell to Ayunga, who steadied himself before firing home a superb low shot into the corner.

He might have had another when a diagonal run saw him battle through three tackles but his shot across Barreett rolled just wide of the post.

Then Oldring's glancing header from Martin's free kick appeared over the line before it was hacked clear by Charlie Day.

Dorchester wrapped up the points with a third to repeat the double over the Lilywhite's on 75 minutes when Martin appeared at the far post to slide home from Oldring's deflected cross.

The victory lifts the Magpies to seventh, just two points behind Weymouth who currently hold the last play-off spot in fifth.

Terras edge five-goal encounter

Weymouth Res 3 Holt United 2

Dorset Premier League

DORSET Premier League football finally got underway in 2016 at the Bob Lucas Stadium with Weymouth Reserves taking on Holt United for the fourth time this season.

The Terras started well and SANCHEZ-BAKER opened the scoring after eight minutes.

Oli CLAYTON made it 2-0 after Holt failed to clear their lines from deep in their goal mouth.

Tom GAGAN pulled a goal back for the visitors on 22 minutes and a high scoring match seemed in prospect.

But the first half though rather fizzled out from here with few real chances being created by both sides.

Two minutes after the interval Mike HASKELL caught the Terras defence knapping to level the score at 2-2 and both sides then pushed for a winner with Weymouth squandering some good chances.

Weymouth's Edgar Zanin showed some good touches on his return to DPL football and young Sam Jackson made his debut as a substitute.

The winner finally came in the 83rd minute when SANCHEZ-BAKER, who had earlier been guilty of some glaring misses, headed home a superb cross from Oli Clayton.

Results- Saturday, January 16th

Dorset Premier League
Bridport Res 1 Sherborne Res 1
Cranborne 1 Merley Cobham 5
Hamworthy Utd Res 2 Mere Town 2
Parley Sports 5 Wareham Rangers 1
Shaftesbury Town 2 Swanage & H 5
Weymouth Res 3 Holt Utd 2

Dorset Senior League
Blandford Utd Res 0 Gillingham Res 2
Poole Borough 5 Piddletrenthide Sp 4
Portland Utd Res 3 Corfe Mullen Utd 6

Division One
Dorchester Sports Res 3 Canford Utd 1
Gillingham A 1 Swanage & H Res 6
Lytchett RT 5 Portland Town 2

Division Two
AFC Blandford 2 Wool & Winfrith 1
Corfe Castle 1 Parley Sports Res 1
Piddlehinton utd 2 Portesham Utd 2
Tidbury 3 Mere Town Res 0

Division Three
Broadstone Res 0 Maiden Newton C 2
Handley Sports 2 Portland Utd Youth 5
Owemoigne 6 Stalbridge 1

Division Four
AFC Blandford Rs 1 S.Cheriton Utd Rs 5
Kangaroos 1 Sturm Marshall Res 8
Marnhull 1 Donhead Utd 1
Portland Town A 3 Corfe Mullen Utd 0
UFC Poundbury 4 Woll & Winfrith Res 2

Division Five
Chickerell Utd A 0 Portland Town B 2

Fixtures- Saturday, January 23rd

Dorset Premier League (2pm)
Balt Sports v Cranborne
Hamworthy Utd Res v Weymouth Res
Holt Utd v South Cheriton Utd
Mere Town v Parley Sports
Merley Cobham v Blandford Utd
Sherborne Town Res v Bridport Res
Swanage & Herston v Hamworthy Recreation
Wareham Rangers v Shaftesbury Town

Dorset Senior League
Chickerll Utd v Dorchester Sports
Corfe Mullen utd v Sturm Newton Utd
Westland Sports Res v Piddletrenthide Spart
Witchampton Utd v Poole Borough

Division One
Dorchester Sports Res v Gillingham Town A
Milborne Port v Canford Utd
Portland Town v Wincanton Town Res
Shaftesbury Town Res v Boscombe Polonia

Division Two
AFC Blandford v Chickerell Utd Res
Broadstone v Wool & Winfrith
Portesham Utd v Wareham Rangers Res
Puddletown v Mere Town Res
Tisbury v Piddlehinton Utd

Division Three
Handley Sports v Milborne Port Res
Maiden Newton & Cattistock v Stalbridge
Owermoigne v Portland Utd Youth
Sturminster Newton Utd Res v Broadstone Res

Division Four
Corfe Mullen Utd Res v AFC Blandford Res
Kangaroos v Portland Town A
Pimperne Sports Society v Marnhull
South Cheriton Utd Res v UFC Poundbury
Sturminster Marshall Res v Wool & Winfrith Res

Division Five
Corfe Castle Res v Chickerell Utd A
Marnhill Res v Okeford Utd
Portland Town B v Crossways Spitfires
Wool & Winfrith A v Lytchett & Upton

Puddletown RFC

WITH IAN FRIZZLE

Indiscipline costs Puddletown again

Puddletown RFC 13
New Milton RFC 2nds 15
Dorset & Wilts Div 2 South

THERE was a closely contested game on a cold, still afternoon at Greenfields on Saturday between Puddletown, who sat second from bottom of the league, and New Milton who were fourth from top.

New Milton scored first with a penalty goal after Puddletown were offside at a ruck. Puddletown struck back with a Tom Yeatman penalty to level the score at 3-3, the visitors having been adjudged to be not releasing at the tackle.

New Milton moved 10-13 in front with a well-worked five-metre lineout move to score a converted try in the corner.

The hosts pressured the New Milton line with some good passages of play; this forced the visitors offside 10m out from their own posts.

The men in red chose to run the resulting penalty and Captain Jez Beale took a short ball from Lucas Frizzle to power over. Tom Yeatman neatly converted to level the score at 10-10.

Puddletown played the remainder of the first half with 13 men, after having two players yellow carded for back-chatting the referee.

After the break, Puddletown were restored to their full compliment, but the visitors' left wing felt the wrath of the referee after kicking out a Puddletown player and he was sent to the bin for ten minutes.

The home side took advantage and New Milton were once again forced offside in front of their own posts, Tom Yeatman slotted the penalty goal and Puddletown were in front for the first time in the match at13-10.

Both teams cancelled themselves out for most of the second half, but approaching the 80-minute mark, New Milton applied some heavy pressure to the Puddletown defence and a series of penalties were awarded for Puddletown indiscretions on their own try line.

The visitors took the option of tapping and running and an inevitable gap appeared for New Milton to break through and score and unconverted try to win the game 13-15.

◆ **LEADING FROM THE FRONT:** Puddletown captain Jez Beale bursts through to level the scores at 10-10.

Dorset & W D2 (S)	Pld	+/-	Pts
Yeovil	13	492	62
WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND	12	195	54
Bournemouth III	13	415	52
New Milton II	13	272	50
BRIDPORT	13	10	33
Wheatsheaf Cabin Crew	13	-59	33
Ellingham & Ringwood II	12	-82	25
North Dorset II	13	-145	19
DORCHESTER II	13	-180	19
Poole	12	-308	10
PUDDLETOWN	12	-169	8
Fordingbridge II	13	-441	-5

Bridport Rugby

Blues well beaten, but not disgraced

Yeovil RFC 51 Bridport RFC 5

Dorset & Wilts Division Two (South)

BACK in September Bridport were blown away by a superior Yeovil side, and although the score line for Saturday's game suggests a similar rout, the Blues competed strongly for long periods of the match and at times made the home side look ordinary.

Bridport were not helped by the unavailability of several key players and had to field a makeshift back line which struggled a little in attack and was at times overwhelmed in defence. Lance Samways however had a standout game at outside centre.

For the forwards Al McNab was a constant thorn in Yeovil's side, and in fact the forwards enjoyed parity throughout the game, save for the odd lineout wobble.

Bridport started strongly and it was slightly against the run of play that the home side scored first with an unconverted try following with a clever chip-kick to find the left wing who sprinted over the line.

Yeovil continued to press but were guilty of spilling their passes at critical moments.

However, their ambition was rewarded when a speculative flick back from a loose ball fell to hand and this time the right wing scored. The conversion went in off the posts and the hosts led 12-0

Bridport responded well, forcing a penalty upfield, and kicking for touch.

From the resulting lineout McNab burst through the opposition to score in the corner. The conversion was missed making the score 12-5

But the home side always carried a threat and added two more tries at the end of the first half, one of which was converted taking the interval score to 24-5

Excellent handling and good lines of running produced two more unconverted tries for Yeovil early in the second half, but Bridport held firm for much of the rest, defending with great spirit.

It was only right at the end, as legs began to tire, that Yeovil ran away with it scoring three tries in quick succession to leave the final score at 51-5.

Bridport travel to Poole next Saturday for a game they would hope to win, as the hosts lie third from bottom in the league after a poor run of form.

Sidmouth Under 10 v Bridport

BRIDPORT travelled to Sidmouth and he first of two games was keenly contested, finishing 5-3 in tries in Sidmouth's favour.

The home side used their big lads at the breakdown to good effect and had some pacey runners to finish off the moves.

Bridport were a little hesitant at the rucks but defended strongly and produced some notable tackles, particularly from Player of the Day Dom Burdett and Charles Edwards.

Their three tries were all scored by the strong-running Barney Johnson.

The second game finished 7-1 in tries to Sidmouth as the Blues tired, but their try was an excellent one, as Patrick May produced a great offload to set up Charles Edwards in the corner.

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◆ **IN FORM:** Lance Samways had a fine game at outside centre.

Bowls

Craddock & Walsh victorious after sensational recovery

Bridport & West Dorset Indoor Club

LYN Craddock & Sue Walsh were staring defeat in the face when a disastrous start saw them trailing 0-14 in the National Area Pairs Final against EAST DORSET.

However, a sensational recovery saw them stage a magnificent fight back to win 32-22.

Mike Craddock, Mel Griffiths, Keith Jenkins & Brian Rumble were the only points winners with a fine 28-12 home win as Bridport lost 93-70 in their latest Wessex League match against FIVE RIVERS (Salisbury), whilst Phil Hedges' rink went down 11-29.

At Salisbury, Brian Baker, Roger Cowmeadow, Ken Giles & Ken Enticott went 11-1 up before collapsing to lose 17-28, whilst Barry Mapson, Brian Walsh, Martin Grier & Chris Thorne, having come from 1-11 down to trail by just 14-17, suffered a big five count on the 20th end which ended their hopes, finally losing 14-24.

Dave Roberts, Keith Brookes & Thorne picked up two points for Bridport's A team in the Purbeck Trophy League with a 24-20 home win over MOONFLEET. It was 20-20 with Moonfleet holding four on the last end before Brookes played a great wood to turn it Bridport's way.

IN the over 60s League, Bridport secured five of the available six points with an overall win at DORCHESTER.

Brian Pratt, Mel Hargett & Fletcher scored a one count on the final end to force a draw, whilst Gerry Moss, Baker & Hedges came back from eight down to win by six.

Hockey

Dormer at the double as leaders are held

North Devon A 2 West Dorset A 2

THE visitors, with just ten players due injuries and unavailability, set up their formation to try and frustrate the home side who top the South East 2 table and had won the reverse fixture 6-1 back in October.

But on ten minutes it was West Dorset who took the lead when Simon Wakely found Rick Dormer who neatly deflected the ball past the home keeper.

Although often on the back foot, the visitors were always a threat on the break and they extended their lead on 21 minutes when Rick Steele's shot was acrobatically deflected into the goal, again by Dormer.

North Devon are a fairly vociferous team, even when things are going well for them, but this second goal clearly rankled, and one of their players was sin-binned for dissent.

Just before half-time they did manage to pull a goal back following a short corner when keeper Alex Drew saved the first shot but couldn't keep out the rebound.

North Devon upped their game in the second half, having long spells of possession in the West Dorset half and created a number of chances.

But the visitors defended manfully with Steele, Bruce Maltby, Bertie Newman and Henry Middleton under tremendous pressure with keeper Drew making a series of fine saves.

This pressure finally told as the hosts scored with 15 minutes remaining, but not before another of their players was again sin-binned for dissent.

fatigue set in

With the scores now level North Devon were favourites to go on and take the win as West Dorset, with their numerical disadvantage, began to tire.

But it was the visitors who were the more dangerous in the final ten minutes. Just before the final whistle they squandered their best chance when Middleton's pass into the area caused a melee which resulted in Russell Coombes' shot going agonisingly wide.

West Dorset skipper Middleton said: "This was a really hard match as they had a squad of 13 compared with our 10, but we applied ourselves and defended really well ands were difficult to break down."

Hawks see off dogged Marjon

West Dorset Hawks 6
Plymouth Marjon C 2

CAPTAIN Robin Goodfellow had a few scathing half-time words for his team before West Dorset Hawks saw off their lowly Southern 2 visitors.

Three up after 20 minutes they sat back and allowed a youthful Plymouth side to score twice before the break.

The words struck home and, despite Marjon never giving up the fight, Hawks assumed control again in the second half to win comfortably.

West Dorset welcomed Gavin Brooking and Charlie Davis back into their ranks and there was a rare appearance for Andrew Frampton.

West Dorset made a great start did, scoring in the third minute.

Steve Mearing drew the attention of several opponents before finding Ollie Gargrave for an easy tap in.

Dan Wyatt doubled the advantage five minutes later when he scored with a reverse stick lob from a short corner after the keeper had saved his first effort.

Plymouth conceded a third when Bob Dormer fired home following a short corner.

But Marjon stuck to their guns and were rewarded when a reckless tackle from Julian May conceded a penalty flick which was converted.

The visitors added a second just before halftime from open play when the centre forward lost his marker to sweep the ball home.

After the break, and with Goodfellow's words ringing in their ears, Hawks came out at full throttle.

One of May's infamous aerial passes found Brooking 25 yards from goal. His run at goal was stopped when he was fouled inside the D and from the short corner Dormer reacted instantly after his initial shot was saved to fire home.

Back came Marjon, but they were caught out and Goodfellow fed Gargrave for a simple goal.

Marjon were caught out again two minutes from the end when Goodfellow was on hand to score after a melee.

Cribbage

LYME REGIS

Results - January 11th: Nags Head 4 New Inn Kilm B 1, Royal Oak 3 Gerrard Arms 2, Old Inn Kilm 2 Beer Club 3, Ship Inn LR 1 Lamb Swans 4, Ax Inn 3 Stepps 2, New Inn Kilm A 3 Ax Con Club 2 .

Beer League; Nags Head 1 New Inn Kilm B 2, Royal Oak 0 Gerrard Arms 3, Old Inn Kilm 2 Beer Club 1, Ship Inn LR 1 Lamb Swans 2, Axminster Inn 1 Stepps 2, New Inn Kilm A 2 Ax Con Club 1 .

Fixtures (Jan 25th); Old Inn Kilm v New Inn Kilm B, Ship Inn v Gerrard Arms, Ax Inn v Beer Club, Stepps v Lamb Swans, New Inn Kilm A v Talbot Arms.

League table	Pld	Pts
Gerrard Arms	16	49
Stepps	16	46
Nags Head	17	45
Royal Oak	17	44
Lamb Swans	16	44
New Inn Kilm A	16	42
Beer Club	17	42
Old Inn Kilm	17	41
Axminster Con Club	15	39
Ship Inn LR	15	37
Axminster Inn	16	35
Talbot Arms	16	31
New Inn Kilm B	16	30

Beer League	Pld	Pts
Royal Oak	17	32
Axminster Con Club	15	28
New Inn Kilm A	16	28
Gerrard Arms	16	27
Talbot Arms	16	25
Old Inn Kilm	17	25
Lamb Swans	16	23
Ship Inn LR	15	23
Stepps	16	22
New Inn Kilm B	16	22
Nags Head	17	22
Axminster Inn	16	21
Beer Club	17	18

Bridport	Pld	Pts	BL
Anchor Inn	13	97	15
Durbeyfield	12	96	19
Crown Inn A	11	95	15
Crown Inn B	12	95	22
Ilchester Arms	13	91	16
Oddfellows	12	89	18
Hope & Anchor	11	81	20
George WBay	11	81	20
Quarterdeck A	13	77	17

Schools Cross Country

Young runners battle through challenging conditions

◆ **FIRST HOME:** Owen Pitcher (Salway Ash) wins the boys race

CONDITIONS were so bad that the course for the first of three West Dorset Primary Schools cross country races held at The Sir John Colfox Academy had to be changed at the last moment.

The regular route which takes the runners out of the school and over part of Coneygar Hill was deemed too slippery and treacherous and a new one using the boundaries of the school was hastily organised.

Although not such a demanding terrain, the conditions underfoot made it a good test of stamina over the 1550m course.

Ten schools competed with approximately 90 boys and 60 girls taking part.

The boys race saw Owen Pitcher from Salway Ash and Guy Scarborough and Seth Hall-Nunn both from Parrett & Axe at the front from the start,

But as the race developed it was Pitcher that started to stretch away from the other pair to eventually win by 25m with Scarborough just holding off Hall-Nunn.

The runners-up reward was being part of the squad that took the A team award, with St Catherine's winning the B team award.

Salway Ash's Katie Evans took an early lead in the girls race but had to be content for third place after she was overhauled by Symondsbury pair, winner Anise who finished 10m ahead of second placed Loveday.

As a result Symondsbury won the A team award and Parrett & Axe the B team cup.

The next event will be on the course at Beaminster School on February 10th.

◆ **WELL DONE:** The first three boys home in the boys race show off their medals (l-r): 1st Owen Pitcher; 2nd Guy Scarborough; 3rd Seth Hall-Nunn

◆ **WINNING TEAM :** Parrett & Axe A boys

◆ **TOP GIRL:** Symondsbury's Anise is chased home by team mate Loveday in the girl's race

Dorchester Snooker

RESULTS: WDC Whipping Boys 2 WD Club A 5, WDC YYMFDT 5 Trinity M 2, Colliton Hopefuls 3 Trinity Express 5, .

Leading breaks: E.Wellman 43.

(Season's best; 55 Evan Wellman WDC A).

Table week 11	Pld	Pts
Trinity M	9	39
W.Dorset Club A	7	34
Purbeck Potters	9	34
TrinityGooduns	8	33
Trinity Express	9	32
WDC YYMFDT	7	30
Colliton XQ2015	7	23
WDC Whipping B	10	22
Colliton Hopefuls	8	20

Team Handicap KO Cup

Semi-finals; Trinity Gooduns v Trinity M (Feb 3rd at Colliton Club), WDC YYMFDT v Trinity Express (Feb 4th at Trinity Club).

Team Open KO Cup

Semi-finals; Trinity Gooduns v WD Club A, (Feb 1st at Colliton Club), WDC YYMFDT v Colliton Hopefuls (Feb 2nd at Trinity Club).

Bridport Darts

Division One	Pld	Pts
BSC	10	16
Rubber Johns	10	16
Rob's Robbers	10	15
Fleet Street Five	10	13
Nomads	11	12
Hands of Time	10	12
It's in the Middle	10	9
Nags Head A	11	7
Noth'n But Treble	10	6
Odds or Us	10	4
Young Darters	10	2

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Elders	9	16
One for the Vikings	11	15
Les Miserables	9	15
Respect-de-Bull	11	13
Dat Team	9	11
Otter Rotters	9	7
Anchor Vale Viewers	9	7
Poachers	10	5
Royal Hawks	9	4
Time Bombs	10	3

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Anchor Five	9	14
Mis Fits	10	13
Flashes Fives	9	11
3 Become 1	9	9
The Surgeons	9	9
Midnight Runners	10	9
Only Just	8	9
Tiger Bees	8	9
No Direction	9	7
The Royal Nuts	9	0

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Dart Vaders	9	16
Wicked Team Name	9	13
The Nameless	9	12
Sorted Odds	10	10
Dodgers	9	10
Whamo	9	9
Thunder Birds are Go	9	8
Odds & Sods	9	8
Mozzies Heroes	10	4
Ace of Clubs	9	2

Ladies Division One	Pld	Pts
Anchor Aces	16	29
Arrows Awry	16	25
Tender Trap	16	20
Sue's Rebels	16	17
Clocking On	16	16
Queen Bees	16	12
Against the Odds	16	8
Castaways	16	1

Ladies Division Two	Pld	Pts
Queenies of the Club	18	30
Up and Downers	17	23
Wildcats	18	21
Next Door	18	19
Good Mates	18	17
Wrong Bed	18	14
Anchors Aweigh	18	12
Charlie's Angels	18	12
Tiger Stripes	17	12

180s: D1 - M.Fisher (Hands of Time) x8, D2 - S.Crabb (Les Miserables) x3, D3 - Nine players x1, D4 - A.Page (Wicket TN) x3, LD1 - T.Dawe & S.James (both Anchor Aces), S.Hallett (Clocking On) all x1, LD2 - T.Wayland (Wrong Bed) x1.

Lyme Regis Sea Angling Club

Shipway's pollack leads the way

THE first shore match of the Lyme Regis Sea Angling Club season was held on last Wednesday at Seaton where 16 members braved the strong winds and icy sleet to compete in the match.

Rather than insisting anglers bring fish to the scales, in the interest of conservation, the club is now using a new 'catch-and-release' system where anglers can photograph, or have their catches witnessed, by other members.

The fish were plentiful and the anglers were kept busy with small whiting, dogfish, and pouting.

Robert Kisielewski took 1st place with aggregate score of 25 points. Ben Male took 2nd with 24 and Dave White was 3rd with 23.

Making the most of the daytime break in the weather on Saturday a few of the club members booked up with Lewis Hodder from Lyme Bay Charters for a day on the boat drifting over the wrecks for pollack.

Andy Wray, Paul Blake, Gavin Tyte, Lewis Hodder and Roy Shipway all managed to bag decent fish, with Shipway catching the largest which weighed in at 5.229kg and is also the biggest boat-caught pollack so far this year.

The second shore match of the season took place on the same evening and this time it was a 'rover' (anglers could fish any venue within the club waters).

The clear skies, little or no wind, and calm seas made the fishing much more enjoyable.

The target was cod and most of the 13 competitors opted to fish West Bexington, with a few heading to Cogden and Hive beaches.

Although nobody managed to catch the target species, the anglers were kept busy with some nice sized whiting, pout, poor cod, and dogfish.

A few fish were large enough to be weighed-in for specimen awards which run throughout the year.

Nick Stuparyk weighed in a whiting of 402 grams, Rob Emery, a pout of 549 grams and Wayne Burgess a dogfish of 885 grams.

The next shore match takes place on Wednesday, February 10th at Lyme Regis from 6.30pm until 10.30pm where the bonus fish is pollack.

The first boat match of the year takes place on Sunday, February 7th where members will be fishing for 'the best pair of whiting'.

It is still not too late to join the club which costs £12 for adult members, £6 for concessions and £3 for juniors.

Club spokesman Wayne Burgess said: "We are a friendly club and welcome novices and experienced anglers. Check out lymefishing.org.uk, our Facebook page or pop into The Tackle Box for a membership form."

◆ The annual **Presentation Night** takes place at 7.30pm on Saturday, February 6th at the Cobb Arms. Non-members are welcome.

◆ **BEAUTY:** Ray Shipway pictured with his 5.229kg pollack

Dorset FA Under 16 representative football

Stalemate - U16's clash ends in goalless draw

◆ **CHANCE:** Match action from Sunday's 0-0 draw between the Dorset and Berks & Bucks County under 16 teams. *Photo courtesy of DORSET FA*

Dorset U16 0 Berks/Bucks U16 0

Pro-Direct S&W Counties Champ'ship

DORSET and Berkshire & Buckinghamshire's U16 county sides played out a fast paced goalless draw at a bitterly cold County Ground, Hamworthy on Sunday afternoon.

It wasn't for the want of trying though, as both sides had good chances to break the deadlock in this South & West Counties Championship tie.

It was very much a game of two halves with the first shot on target was registered on the 15-minute mark after a cagey first quarter of the match as the teams battled for possession on a bobbly pitch.

Dorset outfit were held to a couple of half chances in the first period, both falling to winger Billy Mitchell after some good build up play; one involving a neatly worked free kick routine.

The best chances of the half fell to the away team, with Brendan Dyer hitting the bar from a free kick and Chris Atta firing wide from the edge of the box.

The second half started in stark contrast as Dorset had an effort scrambled off the line only for Berks & Bucks to go down the other end and have an effort of their own stopped on the line after a smart save from keeper Cameron Harvey.

This seemed to set the tone for the rest of the game as both sides looked to open the scoring. Mitchell was at the heart of most of Dorset's attacks and was creating some good opportunities down the left, while the South East counties side saw a couple of efforts slide past the post and a close range shot from Adam Riley blocked.

The highlights of the half though were two acrobatic saves from the away side's keeper Thomas Wilson, who tipped over two powerful long range drives destined for the top corner from Charlie Ryan and Tomus Garbutt.

The ensuing corner from the second save also brought about a headed goal line clearance after a well-directed header from Marcus Holding.

An end-to-end second half drew to a close with the match all square. Dorset's next game is on Sunday, February 7th when they entertain Wiltshire.

***Dorset**; Cameron Harvey (BWC Saints), Jack Atkins (Shftesbury Rockies), Cody Bowditch, Tom Hyde (both Bridport Youth), Billy Brumble, Tom Garbutt, Jake Mansley, Billy Mitchell, Martin Muir (all Weymouth), Lucas Dennett, Marcus Holding, James King, Jon Rushent, Charlie Ryan (all Corfe* Mullen), *Dane James, James Spring (Dorchester Town).*

West Dorset Youth Indoor Cricket League

Crushing victory for in-form Beaminster

THE West Dorset Indoor Cricket League continued at the Osprey Centre Portland with two outstanding matches in the under 14s section which entertained and thrilled a large and knowledgeable crowed.

Martinstown U14s 107-3 beat Bere Regis 85-3 by 22 runs

MARTINSTOWN maintained their undefeated record with a hard fought victory over a battling Bere Regis side in a game were the bowlers dominated.

Batting first Martinstown openers Sean Williams (25 no) and Jacob Coombes (25 no) cleverly moved the score on to 50 after six overs with patient shot selection against a Bere attack that gave very little away.

Bere's S.George (3-0-25-2) quickly accounted for both C.Durrant and M.Lappin for ducks as his side looked to press home their advantage built on an excellent display in the field.

The Maltby brothers Will (15 no) and Ed (12) kept the score ticking along and when the latter was run out off the last ball of the innings the score had on to 107.

Bere struggled in reply as Martinstown's opening bowlers J.Coombes (3-0-8-0) and C.Durrant (3-0-15-1) bowled with pace and accuracy allowing only one run to be scored off the bat in the first five overs.

S.George (26) fought back with some lusty blows and despite useful knocks from H.Green (10) and L.Moore (11 no) Martinstown continued to dominate with the ball giving nothing away as the required run rate continued to climb.

Ed Maltby trapped J.Head (4) leg before in the final over as his team's disciplined display in the field enabled them to seal victory by a comfortable 22 runs.

Beaminster U14 143-1 beat Weymouth 73 all out by 70 runs

IN CONTRAST to the previous game, Beaminster batsman put Weymouth's attack to the sword with a batting display full of good shots and excellent running between the wickets.

Ben Leather (27no), Lewis Keenan (25no), Adam Moss (28no) and Fergus Rees (25 no) all produced innings from the top draw as Weymouth's attack struggled to contain batsman at the top of their game.

Joshua Cardiff had Weymouth's only success clean bowling James Page first ball, but with Kevin David scoring an unbeaten 10 Beaminster finished their allocated overs on a challenging 143-1

In reply, Weymouth's openers Ben Alford (31) and Sam Burton (12) found runs hard to come by as Beaminster backed up their classy batting display with a equally outstanding display in the field.

Fergus Rees stood out with the ball conceding just one run off his first two overs as the required run rate mounted.

James Page (2-0-12-20 then produced a double wicket maiden to dismiss both Alford and J.Cardiff as Beaminster looked to close out the game in style.

Ben Leather (2-0-14-2) dismissed the battling Nathen Quinn (12) with a sublime caught and bowled as his side wrapped up victory in the eighth over with plenty to spare.

Alley Skittles

Lyme Regis

Men's Division One; Results

Ladies; Wild Pins 265 (+BL) Wootton Wobblers 298, Hot Gossips 327 (+BL) Rollercoasters 295, Smashers 311 (+BL) La Crème 286, Just Us 263 Generations 263 (+BL). (+BL) = Beer Leg winner

Men's Cornish Cup; Roadrunners beat British Legion, Clueless won v Rousdon Rebels, Skippy's Six 339 v Wreckers 327, Alleytwits 344 v President's Men 307, Marksmen won v Tornadoes, Trappers 319 v No Hopers 385, Anthill Mob 314 v Young Guns 324.

Men's Bob Sweetland Cup; No Hopers 373 v Marksmen 326.

Men's Palmer Cup Quarter-Finals fixtures:

Wednesday, Jan 27th; Marksmen v President's Men; Wreckers v Skippy's Six.

Friday, Jan 29th; Young Guns v No Hopers, Anthill Mob v Flyers.

Mens Div One	Pld	Pts	BL
Marksmen	9	14	6
No Hopers	7	12	4
Young Guns	9	10	14
Wreckers	9	10	11
Rousdon Rebels	9	10	8
Anthill Mob	9	8	12
Clueless	8	6	7
Skippy's Six	9	4	9
Tornadoes	9	4	7

Mens Div Two	Pld	Pts	BL
Flyers	8	16	13
Roadrunners	8	11	12
Alleytwits	8	10	9
Trappers	8	9	11
President's Men	8	4	5
British Legion	7	4	4
Miscellaneous	7	4	4
Shakers	8	4	4

Ladies	Pld	Pts	BL
Wootton Wobblers	8	16	12
Generations	8	9	10
Just Us	7	9	4
Wild Pins	7	8	8
Hot Gossips	8	7	12
Smashers	8	7	8
Rollercoasters	8	4	4
La Crème	8	2	4

Bridport

UPCOMING cup fixtures

Nomination Cup

(3rd round)

Monday, January 25th; Alleycats v Rockets.

Tuesday, January 26th; Countrymen v Shipfaced.

Thursday, January 28th; Yo Yo's v The Dingles, Wanderers v Rejects.

Knockout Cup

(3rd round)

Tuesday, January 26th

Rejects v Bulldogs, The Dingles v A.F.A.R.

Thursday, January 28th

Shipfaced v Rough Eight, Slingers v Lively Lads.

Friday 29th January

Dingbats v Broadoak, Stingers v Bangers, Originals v Aussies Lot, Miss the Ball v Castouts.

Losers Cup A&B SF

Wednesday, January 27th

Tiger; U Know The Blokes v 7" Clock.

Friday, January 29th

West Dorset Club; Countrymen v Nelson Nobblers.

Mixed Fours (2nd round)

Wednesday, January 29th

Ilchester; Triple H's + One; Focus Four; Rejects; Brookside.

Loders Arms; Arkwrights Lot; Fletches Four; Us Four; After Eights.

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Terrific Terras - Weymouth back in business

Histon 1 Weymouth 4
Evo-Stik Southern Premier – att; 219

WEYMOUTH put their recent poor form behind them with a convincing win over struggling Histon on Saturday.

No win in their last four league games and defeat against Paulton Rovers in the Red Insure League Cup had put a dampener on the second half of the season, but an early George Rigg goal gave Jason Matthew's men the lift they required.

The midfielder scored from 12 yards with the first effort of the game on goal in the second minute, although Matthews needed to be alert soon after to deal with two dangerous balls into the Terras box.

Both sides continued to create chances and after Dan Gleeson had produced a superb tackle to block a Weymouth effort, the Terras defence were hacking Josh Oyinsan's header off the line. Matthews then kept his side ahead with a great save, denying Matty Allen by turning his fierce shot around the post just before the break.

However, Weymouth started to take charge in the second half and increased their lead on the hour when Ben Thomson, once again preferred to captain Stewart Yetton, was on hand to turn the ball over the line after Stutes keeper Denzel Gerrar had parried Chris Shephard's shot.

Rigg the grabbed his second with a neat turn and finish with 15 minutes left, before Shephard picked up a loose ball and fired home three minutes later.

Although Oyinsan pulled a goal back with eight minutes left, Weymouth had already made sure of the points that sees them move back into a play-off place.

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More misery for Terras - cup run up in smoke

Weymouth 0 Paulton Rovers 1
Red Insure League Cup R1 – att; 152

WEYMOUTH'S dismal run continued as they were knocked out of the Red Insure League Cup by Paulton Rovers last Tuesday.

Having failed to beat the Evo-Stik League Southern Premier's bottom side the previous week, they we beaten by a Josh Ford goal five minutes into the second half which extended their run to five games without a victory.

It was this time last year that the Terras hit the buffers when looking odds-on favourites for promotion, and manager Jason Matthews must be hoping that this is not a repeat.

Matthews made six changes to the side that had lost to Hitchin three days earlier, but it was to no avail as once again as Weymouth appeared to lack the ingenuity to open up the visitors defence and crated opportunities on goal.

George Rigg's shot pinged the crossbar following a free kick and Adam Kelly forced keeper Ben John into a fine save at his near post after linking up with Jake Wannell.

At the other end Kelvin Douglas put Tom Knighton through on goal, but Ashley Wells averted the danger with a superb last ditch tackle.

Soon after Knighton had tp be replaced after pulling up with a hamstring problem.

Ben Thomson might have done better soon after but fired wildly over the top as he tried to take advantage of John being caught out of position.

Paulton, who have only won two leagues matches all season, scored what proved the winning goal in the 50th minute when Ford headed home from Aaron Brown's corner.

Terras' keeper Steve Bloore was tested soon after by Brown's vicious volley as they looked to double their lead, before he pulled off two good saves from Sol Wheatley and another Brown effort as Rovers began to expose the Terras defence.

Despite the introduction of captain Stewart Yetton the best the host's could offer was a wild Wannell shot from the edge of the box that cleared the stand.

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